Iran Sputters In Drive for Dominance

A Weakening Economy And Internal Unrest Disarm Regional Threat

By Elaine Sciolino

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — In the three years since Iraq was defeated in the Gulf war, Iran's drive to become a regional super-power has been thwarted by a worsening economy and an internal political struggle.

Despite the U.S. government's efficial portrayal of Iran as a rogue regime with similarities to Iraq before its invasion of Kuwait, Tehran lacks the money, military equipment, and trained personnel to seriously threaten its neighbors, experts on the country contend.

According to this revisionist view, Iran is getting weaker, not stronger.

"The regime is facing serious internal problems with no solutions," said Shaul Bakhash, author of a forthcoming book on Islam and politics in Iran. "This is an exhausted revolution. It is a regime out of touch and talking to itself, not one that can afford to project its power abroad in a major way.

For several years, the government has suffered from high inflation and unemployment, rapid population growth, a mounting foreign debt that it can no longer repay, and waning popular support for the Shiite Muslim clerics who control the

The bombing last month in Meshed of the holiest Shiite shrine in Iran on the most solemn day of the year, killing at least two dozen pilgrims, has added to the government's sense of vulnerability.

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Declining world oil prices have shaved 30 percent from Iranian oil revenue in the past year, while declining production ability has made the country unable to meet its quota allowed by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

"The Iranians desperately need to re-build their oil fields," said Vahan Zan-oyan, an economist and director of the Petroleum Finance Co., a consulting firm in Washington. They have serious production problems, primarily because the spare parts and do an the maintenance

iran's imports from the United States in the first quarter, which consist mostly of oilrelated equipment, totaled \$90 million, compared with \$217 million in the first uuarter of 1993.

President Hashemi Rafsanjani has been See IRAN, Page 4

France Skirts Face-Off With Rwanda Rebels

By Jonathan C. Randal

GIKONGORO, Rwanda - France began a strategic retreat Tuesday from threatened military escalation in Rwanda, effectively agreeing to withdraw its intervention forces from most of the country in return for rebel tolerance of a humanitarian security zone in the southwest.

The still-informal agreement left the way open for the predominantly Tutsi in-gargents of the Rwanda Patriotic Front to launch an offensive in the northwest against the reeling Hutu government forces that two days ago lost the capital, Kigali, and the city of Butare.

Outlines of an agreement apparently were worked out between French emissaries and the Patriotic Front in Kampala, the capital of Uganda, which long has provided the insurgents with political and materi-

Significantly, both sides at the highest level signaled the sudden improvement in relations. Paul Kagame, the Patriotic Front commander in chief, announced in Kigali that his forces "were not seeking a clash" with the fewer than 1,000 French

troops deployed in western Rwanda. "We don't want to take the entire country and we don't need to," Mr. Kagame

President François Mitterrand of France announced the French retreat during a visit to South Africa, insisting that "the RPF is not our enemy" and "we are not trying to prevent its eventual success" in the three-month civil war.

Mr. Mitterrand thus appeared to be accepting the inevitable.

In Paris, Foreign Minister Alain Juppe, who has repeatedly expressed bitterness at the lack of international participation in Paris's virtually go-it-alone operation,

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Newsstand Prices



Yasser Arafat having a cheerful conversation during his visit to Jericho with two ultraorthodox Jews who are members of a sect opposed to Zionism.

For Arafat's Return, an Uneasy Finale in Jericho

By David Hoffman Washington Post Service

JERICHO - Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian leader, alighted Tuesday from an Egyptian helicopter in the ancient city of Jericho and formally established the new self-rule regime that will govern the Gaza Strip and Jericho.

But Mr. Arafat's day, his first in the West Bank since 1967, seemed to be an awkward and unsettling finale to his voyage of return.

Under a blanket of oppressive heat. Palestinians who came to hear Mr. Arafat, many of them former prisoners in Israeli jails, grew indignant when they

were forced to stand behind two layers of barbed wire fence at the welcoming cere-

They trampled the sence to get closer but collided with Mr. Arafat's protective

cordon of armed soldiers. The welcome was further cooled by the fact that Palestinians in the West Bank apparently decided not to come to

Jericho in large numbers to see Mr. Ara-A few thousand crowded into a field outside a bus station for the ceremony, far fewer than the tens of thousands from

West Bank towns and villages who came

to see the arrival of the new Palestinian police force a few weeks earlier.

Mr. Arafat complained that Israel had blocked Palestinians from coming, Israel denied that it had directly barred Palestimians from traveling to Jericho, but relatively small groups of militant Jewish settlers were allowed to burn tires and block roads for hours, and witnesses said the army moved against them only hesi-

As a result, Palestinians in the West Bank may have decided not to take the risks involved.

Another possible reason for the low turnout was that most of the West Bank

remains under Israeli occupation and its residents are less enthusiastic about the new self-rule regime than those who live in Gaza and Jericho.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and Mr. Arafat are to meet in Paris on Wednesday for the first time since the Gaza-Jericho peace accord was signed May 4, and their agenda includes talks on expanding self-rule to the rest of the West Bank.

While blocking roads, the Jewish settlers failed to stage massive demonstra-tions that they had boasted would disrupt Mr. Arafat's visit. Instead, small

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European Business in Midst of Corruption Cleanup

By Alan Friedman ignal Herold Tribun

PARIS - The arrest of another of France's leading businessmen on corrup-tion charges this week shook the bourse and the business establishment, but it may

soon become a more common event. Corruption is now considered by many businessmen to be as much of a threat to efficiency and a distortion of the market as trade barriers, and the signs are that Europe is in the early stages of a vast cleanup.

As Western Europe climbs out of its most traumatic recession in a generation. the view of many in finance and industry is that it is time for renewal - evidently extending well beyond mere corporate restructuring.

In fact, the anti-corruption drive launched two years ago by courageous Milan magistrates appears to be spreading across Europe, with investigators in

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France, Spain and Germany emboldened by Italy's example.

"Italy was the trigger," said Professor George Taucher, a specialist in business ethics at the International Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland. Mr. Taucher and others said

it was only logical that corruption scandals in European banking and industry were now coming to light after a free-wheeling decade of greed and loose business morals.

"Long periods of prosperity usually end in scandal," Mr. Taucher said. "The 1920s were renowned for scandals that emerged in the 1930s. There is no doubt that you've got emboldened magistrates now. And several scandals will collapse of their own

In France, the arrest Monday of Pierre Suard, the chairman of Alcatel Alsthorn SA who was charged with forgery, fraud, and corruption, was only the latest in a

series of judicial attacks on big names in French capitalism. (Page 11)

Earlier this year a Geneva magistrate began investigating executives at Credit Lyonnais in connection with the stateowned bank's dealings with a bankrupt Swiss company involved in the controversial 1990 takeover of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc., the Hollywood studio.

Last month the Paris bourse was rocked by the jailing in Brussels of Didier Pineau-Valencienne, the chairman of Schneider SA who was charged with fraud and held for two weeks.

And last week, French magistrates or-See SCANDALS, Page 4

Bosnia Faces Ultimatum To Accept Peace Plan

U.S., Russia and Europe Declare That Patience Has Been Exhausted

By William Drozdiak

Washington Post Service
GENEVA — Russia, the United States and the European allies approved the partition of Bosnia-Herzegovina along ethnic lines Tuesday and urged the country's warring parties to accept the peace plan with-

out modification. Foreign ministers from the big powers. declaring that the world's patience has been exhausted by the 27-month war, said the time had come to impose a settlement on Bosnia's Serbs, Croats and Muslims because they had refused to accept a

peaceful compromise on their own. It was the first time in the course of Europe's bloodiest conflict since World War II that Russia, the United States and leading Europe countries had reached a common position on how to stop the light-

ing and separate the combatants. The ministers gave their final biessing to a map that cedes 49 percent of the territory to Bosnia's Serbs and 51 percent to the federation between Croats and Muslims.

They also agreed on a package of carrots and sticks that would reward parties accepting the plan and punish those rejecting

They warned that if the peace plan was spurned, the war could quickly escalate and spread through the rest of the Balkans, especially if an international arms embargo was lifted and the 35,000-member Unit-ed Nations force began to withdraw.

But as fighting continued Tuesday in Bosnia, there was little sign that the Serbs, who now control 70 percent of the land, were prepared to relinquish their gains, or that the Muslims were ready to halt a summer offensive to win back lost territo-

Russia's Andrei V. Kozyrev, who hosted the three-hour meeting among ministers from the big powers, said the leaders of Bosnia's three factions will be handed the map Wednesday and be told that they have two weeks to respond to the "peaceful ultimatum." The ministers would then reconvene in Geneva before the end of the month to determine their next steps.

"The world has come to a turning point because we all realize that the passions around Bosnia can lead to international confrontation," Mr. Kozyrev said. "We have chosen the only alternative possible: joint action against those whom the war

has deprived of common sense."

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said that if the Serbs rejected the plan and Bosnia's mostly Muslim government accepts it, the prospect of lifting an arms embargo to give the Muslims greater firepower to carry out an offensive to recapture their land would become "almost irresistible."

Mr. Kozyrev, who has warned in the See BOSNIA, Page 4

WORLD CUP (GRANDSTAND



Michael Emenalo of Nigeria competing for the ball with Nicola Berti of Italy, which won the match, 2-1, in overtime.

Italy 2, Nigeria 1

Roberto Baggio broke the tie from the penalty spot in the 12th minute of extra time, after having scored his first goal of the tournament in the 89th minute to the Nigeria. It was the first second-round match to go beyond the normal 90 minutes.

A Roar for the Irish Crowd

The Irish fans have been among the most rabid and enthusiastic of the World Cup. "We have the greatest fans

Townsend, the Irish captain, If only "Jack's lads" had given them more to cheer about.

in the world, bar none," said Andy

Seduced Americans?

If commentators in other parts of the world are to be believed, that cultural imperialist, the United States, has submitted to the seductive charms of an alien sport. "This is nothing less than a cultural revolution, a victory by the Old Continent, the revenge of the colonized," wrote Frédéric Pages in Le Canard Enchaîné, a French weekly.

The Garden State's Weeds

Many fans from abroad who came to New York without reservations have found a side of New Jersey that the Garden State would love to hide: the factories, the strip malls, the no-tell motels where rates are \$27 for three hours - or \$30 for a mirrored room.

Cuarterfinal matches: Saturday — Italy vs. Spain, in Foxboro, Massachusetts, 1605 GMT; Netherlands vs. Brazil, in Dallas, 1935 GMT. Sunday — Mexico-Bulgaria winner vs. Germany, in East Ruthertord, New Jersey, 1605 GMT; Sweden vs. Romania, in Stanford, California, 1935 GMT.

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Hungarians in Romania Battle Cultural Onslaught

By David B. Ottaway Washington Past Service

CLUJ, Romania - A bronze statue of a 15th century king in this old Transylvanian city has become the unlikely object of a political battle between Romanian nationalists and the country's sizable Hungarian minority.

The fight over the old statue, depicting King Mathias towering over Unity Square in the center of town, has provided a stark reminder that Yugoslavia is not the only place in the Balkans where nationalist passions are vulnerable to exploitation by extremist politicians.

The struggle is ostensibly over whether to permit an archaeological search for what may be a forum from Roman times beneath Unity Square.

For two weeks, thousands of Hungarian demonstrators have blocked Romanian archaeologists from beginning an exploratory dig at one end of the square. They say the dig is not a scientific exercise but rather a political ploy by Romania's growing ultranationalist movement to remove

Some Romanians have made Mathias into a symbol of what they say was 500 years of oppression under Hungarian rule.

The real issue, both sides say, is an attempt by ethnic Romanians to assert cultural and political dominance over the country's declining Hungarian minority, which is estimated now to be between 1.6 million and 2 million in a total population of 23 million.

Most of the Hungarians in Romania live in the province of Transylvania. The city of Chij, once a cultural and political center of Hungarians, is being aggressively Ro-

That a statue and an archaeological dig have come to dominate the political life of this city of more than 300,000 reflects how aggressively Romania's ultranationalists are exploiting emotional symbols to rally Romanian sentiment.

Romania is governed by a weak minority government that relied on the extreme. Romanian National Unity Party to rescue

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Mandela's Finance Minister Resigns

JOHANNESBURG (AP) - Derek Keys, the respected finance minister retained by the African National Congress to make black rule more palatable to business, announced Tuesday that he would resign for personal reasons.

A prominent banker, Christo Lieben-

berg, was selected to succeed him. Mr. Keys said his departure from government had nothing to do with policy differences within President Nelson Mandela's government.

Even before his announcement, rumors that Mr. Keys would resign weakened the South African currency.

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Crossword

Page 8. Page 20. By Steven Brull

TOKYO - When Tomiichi Murayama arrives at the Group of Seven industrialized nations summit meeting in Naples on Friday, Japan's new Socialist prime minister will have a unique advantage — a total lack of experience in international affairs and the most minimal of expectations placed upon him.

A stronger and more seasoned statesman would be pressed hard to defend Japan's unfinished macroeconomic and trade policies at a summit meeting concerned with promoting global growth and jobs.

But Mr. Murayama will very likely find that despite Japan's gaping global trade surplus of \$130 billion last year, his counterparts will settle for promises of future actions and reassurances that he plans to make no drastic changes to economic and security policies.

U.S. officials have already played down expectations, saying that it is unrealistic to expect the new government to be prepared to cut a deal, even in talks that have dragged on since their inception exactly one year - and four Japanese prime ministers — ago.

The Ministry of International Trade and In-

Australia

Calls Off

Hanoi Visit

Over Rights

HANOI - Vietnam ex-

pressed regret Tuesday that an

Australian delegation has

called off a planned visit, but at

the same time defended a deci-

sion to block discussion of its

A delegation led by Austra-

lian lawmakers and accompa-

nied by members of the Viet-

namese community in Australia

was ready to go to Vietnam on

Thursday. Human rights con-

cerns were high on the agenda.

The trip was canceled after Vietnam refused to issue a visa

to one member who said public-

ly that an inquiry into human

rights was the group's main goal.
"That announcement goes

entirely against the agreement

between Vietnam and Austra-

lia, displaying a lack of respect for the national sovereignty of

Vietnam and causing indigna-

tion in Vietnamese public opin-ion," the Foreign Affairs Minis-

The communique said that the Australian who made the

comment, Quang Luu, was re-peating "wrong statements"

that some Australian officials

had made previously and that

Vietnam had criticized at the

Vietnam made clear to Aus-

"Sadly, it does appear that

foreign minister, Gareth Evans,

said Monday. Hanoi had also

canceled planned visits to a

prison and an ethnic minority

area, prompting Mr. Evans to call off the trip Monday night.

jected any move by internation-

al groups to investigate human

rights, but it consented to the

Vo Van Kiet went to Australia

in 1993 and invited ethnic Viet-

namese to revisit their home-

The dispute came as a blow

to Australia's normally warm

relations with Vietnam, a for-

mer foe. During the Vietnam

War, 47,000 Australian troops

fought against the Communist

Reforging ties with Vietnam

has been a cornerstone of the

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forces, and 504 of them died.

from Australia.

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ministry statement added.

try said in a statement.

human rights record.

to Japan now, not to do anything that hurts, said Chalmers Johnson, president of the Japan Policy Research Institute in Santa Monica,

"It's not totally accidental," he said. "Plenty of people in the bureaucracy want to buy time and milk America for as long as possible.

Mr. Murayama, 70, leads a coalition beset with internal conflict, and making tougher de-mands would only risk escalating tensions and driving up the yen even higher against the dollar, with potentially precarious consequences for financial markets.

"Low expectations are a politician's greatest asset," said Yasunori Sone, professor of political science at Keio University. "This will allow Murayama to survive."

Mr. Murayama, who last week became prime minister of a bizarre coalition government uniting the Socialists with their arch-rivals, the Libcral Democrats, has been the first to boast of his lack of qualifications for leading the world's second-biggest economy.

year was the perennial opposition.

He has little experience as a leader and has never served in a cabinet position.

national conferences, or learned to speak a second language. He has traveled abroad only five times, always cuts with an eventual increase in consumption

as a member of a group. Japanese bureaucrats have subjected Mr. Murayama to extended cram sessions to prepare for the Naples meeting, but since debate could flow in unexpected directions, a few basic principles reportedly have been hammered home: Keep your head down and say as little as

Insofar as the summit meeting is more talk than a tough negotiation, Mr. Murayama is very likely to escape unscathed.

He will tell his G-7 counterparts that Japan intends to spur growth in its economy by extending the 6.0 trillion yen tax out imposed this year for at least another year.

The United States and European countries The son of a fisherman in Kyushu, in southern have been pressing Japan to make the cuts per-Japan, he honed his early skills in local politics manent, but a final agreement to do so has been

dustry and the Ministry of Finance "will once again be able to make a case not to do anything agod use in the Socialist Party, which until last an agreement to raise consumption taxes later to

pay for them. The most Japan can pledge at the talks, the deputy chief cabinet secretary, Hiroyuki Sonoda, He has never taken part in high-powered inter-said Tuesday, was an effort to try to complete by the end of the year a comprehensive tax reform package outlining a way to finance income tax

> Mr. Murayama also will promise an increase in public works spending, again without offering

> His major hurdle will come on Friday, hours before the sessions begin, when he meets Presi dent Bill Clinton. The session will be the first between Japanese and U.S. leaders since the framework trade negotiations, designed to expand American access to Japanese markets, broke down last February.
>
> Both countries had hoped to reach agreement

> on at least one of the framework's three priority areas: government procurement, insurance and autos and auto parts. This now seems unobtainable.

Still, with Mr. Clinton wary of a standoff that could further weaken the dollar, analysts say he is likely to be accommodating.

"I would like to say the inci-

dent on Saturday was not a se-

Diplomats agreed that it ap-peared to have been a bungled attempt by Prince Chakkra-

pong and General Sin Song to

force concessions out of the

Diplomats said evidence sug-

gested the number of soldiers

allegedly supporting the two men was considerably fewer

than the 250 to 300 originally reported by the government.

Also Tuesday, Prince Noro-dom Ranariddh reaffirmed his

commitment to human rights

provisions in a draft law that

guerrilla faction.

ons and 21 mobile radios had people who oppose the law are been seized in houses belonging not sincere — they have to ac-

to Sin Song and Chakkrapong. knowledge that we need such a He said the plotters aimed to law."

The second deputy president

Fourteen Thai nationals Soubert, said he expected the found sheltering in a hotel bill would be passed within one owned by Prince Chakkrapong or two days.

ment in the coup attempt, First Rainsi, said he was now pre-

would outlaw the Khmer Rouge

"The law cannot be used

against the common people on

the one hand, and on the other

hand I think we should do something in order to keep the door open, he said. Asked if he would grantance

the inclusion of human rights

safeguards, Prince Ranariddh

them. I'd like to tell you, those

The second deputy president

of the National Assembly, Son

or two days.

The bill's most outspoken

critic, Finance Minister Sam

pared to endorse the legislation

if human rights safeguards were

said. "Absolutely - I've told

pong, a former deputy prime minister and a son of King Nor-odom Sihancular and a son odom Sihancular and a son odom Sihancular and a son odom Siha

WORLD BRIEFS

Seoul Might Ease Its Ban on North

SEOUL (AFP) - The prime minister of South Korea said Tuesday that the country would consider revising its law that bans contact with North Korea if a summit meeting between the North

and South reduces tension on the Peninsula. But the official, Lee Yung Duk, said that the revision of the law was "not desirable" at this time because North Korea had yet to show any change in its policy of spreading communism in the

Under the law, any South Korean found engaging in activities that might favor the Stalinist regime in North Korea, or trying to make contacts with North Koreans without government permission, is liable to a stiff jail sentence for "anti-state activities."

Northern Yemen Claims Aden Gain

SAN'A, Yemen (AP) - Northern Yemeni leaders claimed their troops won control of most of the southern stronghold of Aden on luesday, an advance that would point to imminent victory against the secessionist south.

Southern officials denied the claim. The 400,000 people in Aden are increasingly short of water, food and medical supplies, and relief officials fear the city is on the verge of catastrophic health problems. The center of the port has become crowded as people

flee the advancing troops.

Aden has been the focus of most of the fighting in the civil war that broke out May 4 after issues that had been left unresolved in that broke out May 4 after issues that had been left unresolved in the 1996 unification of the two Yemens grew into a seemingly irreconcilable fend between leaders.

Hong Kong Bars Deleting History

HONG KONG (AP) — The Hong Kong government says history textbooks can include accounts of the 1989 massacre in Beijing of pro-democracy demonstrators, ending a dispute over suggestions for a 20-year wait before the events go into the books.

Dominic Wong director of education, said Monday night that his department did not have the power to delete material in

history textbooks.

The Education Department suggested to two publishers last month that they remove a reference to China's 1989 attack on demonstrators from two history school books. The move provoked an angry reaction from the press and some lawmakers, who accused the government of trying to placate China, which regains sovereignty over Hong Kong in 1997.

Greeks Protest as Neofascists Dock

PIRAEUS, Greece (AP) - About 200 leftist demonstrators scuffled briefly with the police in the port of Piraeus on Tuesday in an effort to prevent a visit by members of Italy's neofascist

About 700 passengers on the Achille Lauro, on a fund-raising cruise for the party, disembarked and left safely through another entrance. They later visited the ancient temples of the Acropolis in Athens. The demonstrators shouted anti-fascist slogans but did not break through the police cordon. The Italian rightists are on a 12-day cruise including visits to the Italian port of Genoa, Egypt,

Cyprus and Greece.
Gianfranco Fini, the National Alliance's leader, rejects the label "neofascist" and calls his party "postfascist." Since joining Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi's conservative governing coalition he has repeatedly pledged allegiance to parliamentary democ-

TRAVEL UPDATE

Air Travelers Face Strikes in Italy

ROME (AP) - A rash of strikes this week and next could complicate air travel in staty just as the vacation season picks up and the Group of Seven meeting gets under way in Naples. Air traffic controllers have scheduled a nationwide strike from 7 A.M. to 3 P.M. on Friday, the day the summit meeting opens. Controllers will strike Thursday at Milan's Linate support from 7

A March 2.00% while the walkers of Saturday and Sanday in Belogic was bolicative times called the saturday of the The three main labor rederations have also called for a general strike against Alitalia on Monday.

A truck fire closed the St. Gotthard road tunnel, a major link between Italy and the rest of Europe, on Tuesday. It is expected to The British rail union announced one-day strikes on July 13 and

July 20 to add to one already planned this week, and threatened two days of stoppages a week if no agreement was reached by late

All 81 passengers traveling from Italy to Greece on the ferry Raffaello were evacuated safely to another ship Tuesday after a truck caught fire in the hold. The 58 members of the crew remained aboard and brought the fire under control.

The National Park Service wants to charge climbers \$200 to ascend the highest peak in the United States, Mount McKinley in Alaska. Even casual visitors to the park would have to pay up to \$30 for bus rides that have been free until now. "Climbers are an expensive lot," said an official.

around 9:45 P.M.

Mr. Kaelin said he was back in his room

after that and around 10:40 P.M. he heard

three thumps outside his bedroom, and

thought it was an earthquake or a prowler.

He said the thumps were so strong they

He said he went outside and looked

around, but it was dark, he was frightened

and he did not have a good flashlight. Mr. Kaelin said he admitted the himousine

through the gate, then a short time later

saw Mr. Simpson with the driver, getting

ready to leave. Mr. Kaelin testified that

knocked a picture on his wall crooked.

Cambodian Disowns 2 in Coup Attempt that we detain those Thais but PHNOM PENH - Second we will not detain them if there isn't any charge," Prince Ranar-Prime Minister Hun Sen of Cambodia said Tuesday he was iddh said. The former Cambodian Peodisowning the two members of his political party who orga-nized an unsuccessful coup atsuccessful secession movement in 1993 after United Nationstempt, branding them traitors organized elections won by the who had been acting alone. Ranariddh royalists.

BENT OUT OF SHAPE — A 13-year-old girl performing contortions for spare

change in a park in Guangzhou, the capital of southern China's Guangdong Province.

The boomtowns of southern and eastern China attract many who aim to make money.

China Executes 2 in Graft Fight it" if it wanted to come, the

Beijing's Drive Targets Corrupt Officials the time is not yet right in Viet-nam for the kind of dialogue we had in mind," the Australian

BELJING -- China, trying to root out corruption that has sprung up along with economic

Guo Ziwen, 52, was senidea of a consultative mission tenced to death for taking 468,000 yuan (\$54,000) in The planned trip was first bribes and obtaining 1.09 mildiscussed when Prime Minister lion yuan through selling foreign currency quotas illegally, the newspaper said.

> Mr. Guo, who was executed Monday, was former general manager of China Coal Sales &

rowers illegally.

official of the governmentowned China Rural Development Trust & Investment Co. The Supreme Court also an-

of taking bribes.

Transportation Co., an enter- sought to strengthen its anti-

prise run by the central govern- corruption drive, giving prominent coverage to cases involving senior officials in an effort to deflect criticism that only lowranking officials are being tar-

> More than 15,000 party and plined for corruption in the first quarter of 1994, according to official reports.

reforms, executed two former officials and jailed two others 1.37 million yuan to extend geted, for stiff terms, the official Peo-state loans to unqualified borple's Daily reported Tuesday.

Hn Cong, 38, who also was executed Monday, had been charged with taking bribes of

He was a former mid-ranking

nounced prison terms of 6 and 12 years for two officials of government departments accused

The government, citing concerns about social stability, has

government officials were disci-However, numerous anti-cor-

ruption campaigns in the past have failed to have any lasting impact, and the government has acknowledged that corruption is now worse than at any time since the Communists came to power in 1949. (Reuters, AFP)

LOS ANGELES - The limousine driver who took O.J. Simpson to the airport the night his former wife and her friend were slain testified Tuesday that he did not find the former football star at home at first but saw a black person hurrying in the door a few minutes before 11 P.M.

Mr. Hun Sen denied his po-

litical party was involved in the

odom Sihanouk, was deported

to Malaysia on Sunday after

government forces arrested

General Sin Song, a former in-

terior minister, on charges of

Both men were members of Mr. Hun Sen's Cambodian Peo-

ple's Party, or CPP, the No. 2

party in the ruling coalition.
"It's not a CPP plot," the party leader said. "It was a plot

by CPP traitors. So please don't

suspect any connection with the

The government said 300 sol-

diers backed by 12 armored ve-

hicles supporting General Sin

Song had been disarmed at Dey

Eth, 30 kilometers (20 miles) southeast of Phnom Penh.

ernment official, Prince Chakk-

rapong had become increasingly distillusioned with the level of support he had been receiving

from the Cambodian People's

A government spokesman, Sieng Lapresse, said 28 weap-

"destroy national institutions."

were being questioned about the possibility of their involve-

Prime Minister Norodom Ran-

"It's very natural and logical

ariddh said earlier.

According to one senior gov-

plotting the uprising.

CPP in this coup."

Another prosecution witness said he was with Mr. Simpson at his home at 9:45 P.M. but did not see him again until he was about to get in the limousine. He also spoke of being frightened by a thumping sound outside his guest house about 10:40 P.M. Neither witness saw Mr. Simpson acting out of the ordinary. The times are important because one of

Mr. Simpson's attorneys has said he was told the slayings happened about 11 P.M. on June 12, and Mr. Simpson was at home waiting for his ride to the airport for a flight to Chicago at that time. But some testimony has suggested Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman were killed between 10 and 11 P.M.

Mrs. Simpson, 35, and Mr. Goldman, 25, were killed in front of Mrs. Simpson's condominium about two miles from her news organizations should be former husband's home. Mr. Simpson has done through legal proceedings. pleaded not guilty to murder. The purpose He said he and Mr. Simpson went out for

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of the preliminary hearing is to determine hamburgers in the evening, returning if he should stand trial.

Driver Saw a Black Enter Simpson Home

In his testimony, the driver, Allan Park, said no one answered at Mr. Simpson's home when he rang the bell at a gate 10:40 to 10:50 P.M. He was supposed to pick up Mr. Simpson at 10:45 P.M. for a ride to the

Shortly before 11 P.M., he saw a 6-foot, 200-pound (183-centimeter, 90-kilogram) black person go into the house, Mr. Park said, and then a voice sounding like Mr. Simpson's came on the intercom, and "He told me he overslept, that he just got out of the shower and he'd be down in a minute."

Asked about Mr. Simpson's demeanor when he finally came down, Mr. Park said.

"I never met him before, and everything seemed O.K. to me." He said he saw no sign of injury to Mr. Simpson.

Also testifying Thursday was Brian Kaciin, a friend of Mr. Simpson and of Mrs. Simpson, who was staying in one of Mr. Simpson's guest apartments. He said he and Mr. Simpson chatted a

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Mr. Simpson agreed to help him look for the prowler, but then Mr. Simpson realized how late it was and left for the airport for his 11:45 P.M. flight.

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In his testimony, Mr. Park told the pros-ecutor, Marcia Clark, that he did not remember seeing Mr. Simpson's white Ford Bronco outside the house when he came by one of the compound's two gates. few times the day of the killings. He re-called Mr. Simpson saying that he and his

He said until the black person arrived at the house, he saw only one upstairs light on, no one answered the intercom and no one answered a call he made from a car telephone into the home.

Indonesian Press Protests Publication Ban

JAKARTA -- About 150 journalists in Indonesia repaign to integrate Australia into the Asian economies. sumed protests on behalf of three banned news publications security officials vowed to quell any new demonstrations.

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Journalists from several or- riot gear stood by near the ganizations chanted, read po- building's gate but the situation ems and waved banners in front remained peaceful, despite a of Jakarta's press council office, warning last month from the Jakarta police chief, who promised a crackdown on further Last month, the government

revoked licenses to publish from three popular weeklies -Tempo, Editor and DeTIK — which had criticized a minister close to President Suharto.

Journalists said Tuesday that any measures taken against



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When Names Collide When the Anti-Defama-tion League, a national Jew-ish organization, heard about the formation of the Catholic Anti-Defamation League in St. Paul, Minnesota, it informed the new organization that the name was already

Others who tried to use it were ordered by the courts to find different names, the Anti-Defamation League

"It was clear that the group had legally protected its name," said Rosemary Kas-sekert, head of the Catholic organization's legal task force. Last month, the group's board voted to change its name to the Catholic Defense League.
"The rationale was that,

since both organizations are essentially in the same business — protecting religion rights and freedoms — it would be best to 'switch, not fight," " she added. "We need. to be friendly organizations cooperating wherever possi-ble."

Short Takes

The French often identify wines by the names of regions, pellations and estates: Bordeaux, Panillac, Mouton-Rothschild. In the United States, varietal wines — iden-tified by the grape they are made from — are the rule: chardonnay, cabernet sauvignon, zinfandel. The wine writer and importer Frank Schoonmaker is said to have been the first to promote varietal names in California in the 1930s. He wanted American wine makers to get away from anonymous blends called burgundy or claret or chianti. Now, Frank J. Prial reports in The New York Times, many French wine makers are strengthening their U.S. sales by using varietals, or vins de cépage. Alsa-tian wines have always been known by grape type, like riesling and gewürtztraminer.

WASHINGTON - In March 1992, a few

days after the first news account appeared on

Bill and Hillary Clinton's Ozark real estate

investment, James B. Blair set out to bury

Whitewater as a campaign issue.

When he was done, James B. McDougal,

Mr. Clinton's voluble partner in the venture, had dropped from sight and stopped giving

interviews or documents to reporters. The remaining Clinton debt in Whitewater was

paid off, and the affair was relegated to ob-

scurity for the balance of the 1992 campaign.

Mr. Blair helped the Clintons sell their share

in the Whitewater Development Co. And

when Vincent W. Foster Jr., the deputy White

House counsel who committed suicide in July

1993, had trouble filing the company's delin-quent tex returns, Mr. Blair took over the task

of prodding a Little Rock accounting firm to

complete the work.

Mr. Blair, the general counsel for Tyson
Foods, the nation's largest poultry company,
was a natural choice for such delicate mis-

sions. Over Mr. Clinton's political career, he had already played an influential, if largely

unseen, role as sounding board, confidant, fund-raiser and emissary. He anchored the

Clinton finances in 1978 and 1979, guiding

After Mr. Clinton was elected president,



HOT DOGGER — Mike Devito eating 20 hot dogs in 12 minutes to win a contest at Coney Island, New York.

Now, varietal names are writes Henry F. Grimm Jr. in sweeping the south of France. a letter to the editor of The Education officials in Washington Post, "It has

Maryland want teachers to get five years of college instead of four, a standard that California has adopted and several other states are considering Education majors would get a liberal arts de-gree, with plenty of mathe-matics and science, and only take education courses in a greetings would lead to fifth year. Opponents of the idea say this would simply drive would-be teachers to other states. Virginia, taking a middle course, requires prospective teachers to major in the subjects they want to teach and, in effect, to minor

Air conditioning has indeed made life more livable. But,

made us a nation of strangers. Before air conditioning, in the early evening, families used to escape the indoor heat by gathering on the front porch (remember the swing and the pitcher of lemonade?) or by strolling along tree-lined streets. Neighborly chats." But with the advent of air conditioning, "people re-treated indoors to enjoy it.

The front porch was less used. Developers cut construction expenses by not building porches. And now, comfortable indoors in front of the TV, we scarcely know our neighbors."

International Herald Tribune.

Clintons' Health Care Quandary: Fudge or Fight?

By Michael Wines New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Hillary Rodham Clinton faces a dilemma, and it can be summed up in a barb she once tossed at health-care lobbyists in a private bargaining session in Washington.

"We were trying to work out varying ways of dealing with some of the differences" over national health insurance, recalled Pam Bailey, who heads a coalition of hospitals and medical companies, "and suddenly she said to us, Bill and I did not come to Washington to fudge the issue."

That was in January. Now, in July, many experts say a national health insurance plan will pass Congress only if President Bill Clinton and his wife fudge the issue, relaxing their bottom-line demand that the insurance cover everyone

Some White House officials say that portrait is a half-truth and Mrs. Clinand casting the passage of a less ambi-tions plan as a victory for society.

If the Clintons hold firm, they will be taking a high-stakes political gamble the senior adviser and strategist on that they could easily lose. It is a contest health care, meeting every few days with of politics and principle, and it is the the president and perhaps a dozen polition and simplify accounting. But its aide, had it not been for what he called mark of Mrs. Clinton that principle re- cy aides and political advisers to map political prospects seem dim to some Mrs. Clinton's "health-care cult."

of people who know her well.

It is also why some suggest that Mrs. Clinton is less suited for the doublejointed bargaining probably needed if an insurance plan is to become law.

"Her biggest attributes are also her biggest weaknesses," said a Democratic senator at the center of the debate. "I think she's a person with very firm convictions. I think her husband is much more willing to say, 'I've got to compromise; I've got to get things done."

Of course, this is the stereotype of the Clintons: the inflexible, ideological and rather lawyerly first lady as spine-suffener for a malleable, anxious-to-please

extremely tough negotiator.

In the White House, aides say, she is

paigns ahead.

"She's a pragmatist." said an official who has worked on the plan, speaking on the condition of anonymity. "She won't send health care down the tubes -no doubt about it. For one thing, she presidency after two years in office. And face it, that's what this is."

Mrs. Clinton will not tip her hand one way or the other. In the midst of a speaking campaign for the administration health plan, she declined last week to be interviewed. With national health insurance on the brink of epochal legislative victory, or maybe ruinous defeat, she seems unflinching.

That stance is most notable on the major sticking point in the negotiations: portrait is a half-truth and Mrs. Clinton the repeated warning that Mr. Clinton to back away from guaranteed insurton's poker face is just the mask of an will veto legislation that does not guarantee. antee insurance to all.

> The notion of guaranteed insurance is popular, in part because it would spread insurance costs over the entire popula- zone a long time ago," said one senior

mains a contender, at least in the minds the legislative and public-relations cambecause the small-business lobby, most Republicans and some Democrats oppose the only realistic ways to get there: raising taxes, or forcing people to buy insurance.

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In a White House meeting on June 19, both Mrs. Clinton and the president doesn't want to blow her husband's sharply rejected advice by some political and economic advisers that the time for bargaining was running out and that the odds against passing legislation would rise unless some movement was made toward an accord with opponents on

universal coverage. Mrs. Clinton went into private meetings to give firt-shaking speeches to supporters in unions, consumer groups and retired people's organizations, warning that universal health coverage was in grave danger. That helped stall an attempt in the Senate Finance Committee

The senators said nothing publicly, but some were privately furious. "We would have been in the reality

A Murder Shows the Crushing Cost of U.S. Crime

By Pierre Thomas

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The meter began running the moment the call came in to police headquarters: James Hunter, 18, was lying on the pavement in a pool of blood with multiple gunshot wounds.

Patrol officers raced to the scene, followed by detectives, forensics officers and a supervisor. Their estimated cost for the night: \$4,626.

Emergency vehicles rushed Mr. Hunter to a Washington hospital, adding another \$1,310, where he was pronounced dead on arrival. His autopsy cost \$1,046.

By the time the medical examiner completed his work, 12 hours after the shooting, Mr. Hunter's killer had cost the city at least \$6,982, or \$582 per hour, according to estimates provided by the District of Columbia's budget office.

The toil continues to rise as police search for his killer. If they apprehend a suspect, there will be jail costs, trial costs and, if there is a conviction, it will cost about \$22,000 a year to house his murderer at a prison.

Dollars alone cannot measure the cost

Each year, the country is spending or paying consumers. quence of crime, according to the Justice theft costs \$28 billion, according to the decreases in certain categories of crime. losing in excess of \$163 billion as a conse-Department, the insurance industry and thirds of what the United States spends goes to cover fraud and crime. on defense and more than five times as much as the federal government spends

on education. Crime costs include more than \$31.8 billion at the state and federal level for police; \$24.9 billion for corrections; \$36.9 billion in retail losses; \$20 billion in insurance fraud and \$17 billion for individual property losses and medical expenses. Another \$15 billion is spent on private security, \$9.3 billion on court costs and \$7.2 on prosecution and pub-

Crime also is costing Americans more through higher prices as companies and individuals seek to make up losses from theft and other unlawful acts. Consider:

 Violence increased the country's of the murder of a young man. But at the health care costs to \$13.5 billion in 1992, same time, Mr. Hunter's death illus-

National Insurance Crime Bureau. At academic researchers. This is nearly two-least 10 cents of every premium dollar

• Shoplifting, internal pilferage and other losses cost retailers about \$36.9 That raises the cost of each item by 2 percent to 4 percent as retailers try to cover such losses.

• As of 1990, there were 1.65 million people employed in the U.S. criminal justice system and 900,000 working as security guards, according to Justice Department statistics.

Census Bureau report revealed that the Galante's association. city's population fell by more than James Hunter's father, James, 48, said was one of the principal reasons for the

trates the gigantic financial burden that percent of hospital costs for shooting throughout the country, and concern crime is placing on the United States in and stabbing victims is not covered by about crime forces Americans to change the 1990s. thing be done to make their lives safer, Insurance fraud and motor vehicle despite some statistics showing general

corrections have emerged as leading growth industries.

"The perception of threat is at an all time high," said John Galante, executive director of the Security Industry Associbillion each year, retail analysts say. ation. "Even though property crime is down, some categories of violent crime are up and there is a change in the nature of violence. It seems more random, as if it can happen to any of us."

There are 15 million active accounts for monitoring systems or alarm systems for residences and business, producing \$2.15 billion in revenue for companies Crime costs money indirectly as well. providing such services, according to a In Washington, for example, a recent recent security market overview by Mr.

29,000 people in the last three years. he thought the only thing that would Crime, according to some civic leaders, resolve the crime problem was prayer. "It just seems like there is no love out

loss, which contributed to the erosion of the city tax base. Similar scenarios are unfolding Cost of the funeral: \$7,000.

Haitians Rescued at Sea Are Barred From U.S.

Mrs. Chinton to nearly \$100,000 in profits Clinton administration Mr. Blair modestly describes his Whitewater work as "janitorial services." The relationship between Jim Blair and Mr. Clinton stretches across two decades, beginning in the early 1970s when Mr. Clinton was a young law professor at the University of Arkansas and Mr. Blair was teaching a course refugees.

in contract law. Bill Bowen, Mr. Clinton's last chief of staff while governor of Arkansas, said that Mr. Rlair and his wife, Diane, a professor of political science at the University of Arkan-sas, would have been consulted "on every major confrontation" since Mr. Clinton bean nations. came a public figure. "It is clear both from the record and their friendship," he said. (NYT) Mr. Gray said that the Unit-

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Jeff Brown, a public defender in San Francisco, describing his reaction when, while being interviewed in the studio of a television station about the OJ. Simpson case, he glanced up at a monitor showing a rival station's program and saw a colleague, Peter

"For crying out lond, there was Peter. We were competing against each other for ratings!"

Compiled by Our Stuff From Disputches with Dominica and Antigua to

Tuesday that Haitians who flee their country by boat and are picked up at sea by U.S. ships will not be allowed into the United States even if they are found to be legitimate political

William H. Gray 3d, President Bill Clinton's special adviser for Haiti, said that the Haitians would instead be sent to "safe havens" to be established in a number of Caribbe-

ed States had reached an agreement with Panama to accept 10,000 refugees and had also reached preliminary accords

8 Corsica Homes Destroyed Agence France-Presse

AJACCIO, France — A series of explosions overnight desouth of Corsica, a French island in the Mediterranean.

WASHINGTON — The establish other safe havens. "Those boat people who are

in need of protection will be given the opportunity to obtain it in safe-haven camps," Mr. Gray said. "Those who take to the boats

will not have resettlement pos-sibilities in the United States." He said Haitians who apply at U.S. offices inside Haiti would be allowed to come to the United States if granted refugee

status based on a validated fear of persecution. The administration also said that it was sending a four-ship amphibious assault group to Haiti. The Pentagon said the ships, with 2,000 Marines on board, would stand ready to

island should the need arise. Mr. Gray made the announcement after about 100 Haitians died when their vessel capsized.

evacuate U.S. citizens from the

Asked about the possibility of an invasion of Haiti by U.S. stroyed eight homes in the military forces, Mr. Gray said, "There is no military invasion imminent." (AFP, AP, Reuters) **Away From Politics**

 About 200 women have joined a class-action lawsuit against the maker of the Norplant contraceptive implant, Wyeth-Ayerst Lab-oratories, claiming they suffered permanent injury during removal.

• A prison inmate tried to cut Jeffrey Dahmer's throat during a chapel service, but the serial killer ended up with only a minor scratch on his neck. The razor blade on the inmate's homemade knife fell off before it could hurt Mr. Dahmer, who is serving 16 consecutive life sentences in Wisconsin for killing 17 young men and boys and eating parts of their bodies.

• Fireworks being launched from a pier in Pompano Beach, Florida, exploded prematurely, killing one person and injuring three

others, two critically, officials said. And in Gloucester City, New Jersey, a fireworks shell veered into a crowd gathered on a Little League field, injuring about 30 spectators, officials said.

• The U.S. Senate has agreed to turn over a surplus helicopter carrier, the Guadalcanal, to a New York City museum, which intends to use it as a heliport.

fragrance demonstrator dismissed because her bosses believed her body odor made her a poor perfume saleswoman. Sharon Bagnall, 52, was fired by Calvin Klein Canada in 1991 for what the company termed a "serious personal hygiene problem" and for allegedly disruptive behavior at odds with the cosmetic giant's image.

Ann McGarry Buchwald Dies

New York Times Service Ann McGarry Buchwald, 74. a writer, former literary agent and wife of the humor columnist Art Buchwald, died of lung cancer on Sunday at her home

in Washington. In the 1970s Mrs. Buchwald was a Washington partner of Irving Lazar, one of the top literary and talent agents in

Hollywood. But in 1974, after Mr. Lazar agreed to try to sell the memoirs sity Hospitals in Cleveland.

of former President Richard Nixon, Mrs. Buchwald ended the partnership, citing a conflict of principle because her husband had written many satirical columns about Mr. Nixon and the Watergate scandal.

Zelma Watson George, 90, a sociologist, musicologist and performer who in 1950 became the first black woman to take a white role on Broadway, died of heart failure Sunday at Univer-



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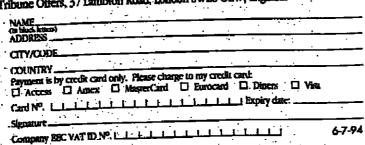
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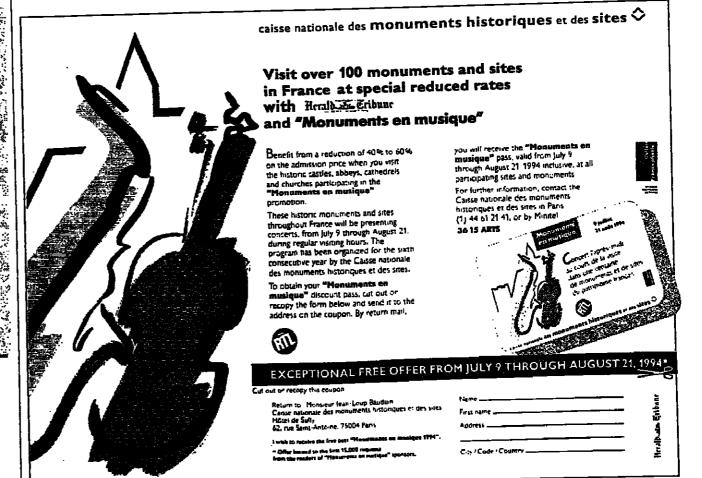
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Old Foes Join to Fight Crime

FBI and Russian Security Police Sign a Pact

By Steven Erlanger New York Times Servi

MOSCOW - The director of the FBL Louis J. Freeh, left Moscow on Tuesday after signing a protocol of intentions to cooperate with Russian authorities in a fight against Russian-based orga-

Mr. Freeh and the Russian interior minister, Viktor F. Yerin, said that both countries were at risk from a well-funded "malia," parts of which have increasingly broad international connec-

The prevalence of organized crime in Russia, and the evident corruption of many underpaid officials and policemen, are widely considered to be undermining the faith of Russians in economic reform and a free market.

Opinion poils suggest that Russians regard criminals as the major beneficiaries of this period of market reform, including the privatization of what was once state property.

Mr. Yerin admitted that corruption is a major problem, saying: "Much remains to be done so that the professionalism, honesty, orderliness of every worker of the Interior Ministry organs will meet the standards of the society we are building

Mr. Freeh, who was quick to admit that the United States has a severe organized-crime problem of its own, praised draft anti-corruption legislation now before Parliament.

The protocol signed Tuesday calls for the exchange of information among police forces, cooperation in investigations, detention of al-

leged criminals in each other's countries and the training of Russian officers in the more modern techniques of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Both sides also welcomed the establishment of Legal Attachè Office of the FBI in the U.S. Embassy, which will house two FBI agents.

Although office space has not yet been set aside and the first agent to be assigned here will first undergo six months of language training, liaison with Russian authorities will continue, as in the past, through visits by Europe-based

The Germans and Finns have similar offices here, and the Italians are about to open one. In answer to a question, Mr. Freeh said he would welcome a similar Interior Ministry office in Washington at the Russian Embassy, though he said there had been no formal request yet.

Mr. Freeh, who became FBI director almost a ear ago, had a much-publicized series of meetings over two days with the chiefs of the Russian domestic security apparatus, including Mr. Yerin, director of the Federal Counterintelligence Service (the domestic branch of the old KGB), the national security adviser, the deputy ustice minister and First Deputy Prime Minister Oleg N. Soskovets.

He did not get to see President Boris N.

Yeltsin, however, despite a request from the U.S. Embassy, which went all out for the Freeh

Western diplomats say that Mr. Yeltsin has been seeing very few foreign visitors lately.



A PROTEST IN LATVIA — Physicians and members of their families demonstrating in Riga on Tuesday for higher salaries. They timed their protest for the eve of the arrival of President Bill Clinton to attract more attention.

ROMANIA: Roman Ruins and a King's Statue Fuel a Minority Conflict

RWANDA: France Avoids Confronting Rebel Force Continued from Page 1

said, "France cannot do everything by itself in Rwanda." The Patriotic Front long has harbored suspicions about French intentions because of past French diplomatic, economic and military aid to the

Hutu-led Rwandan govern-

The compromise came less than 24 hours after Colonel Didier Thibaut, the French commander in southern Rwanda, said at Gikongoro, the advanced French headquarters, that any further movement by said, acknowledging that "this the Patriotic Front against the is not what we thought two days

town would be met by force. Under the apparent terms of the accord, all French troops involved in France's Operation Turquoise would be withdrawn to a humanitarian security zone linking Kibuye and Cyangugu

istrative center some 125 kilo- who charged the French were represents less than a third of government-held territory.

Colonel Jacques Rosier, Operation Turquoise's deputy commander in charge of southern Rwanda, said in Gikongoro at midday Tuesday that "the RPF had accepted the principle of a humanitarian zone" but that "modalities remained to be worked out.

"If there is a clear and definitive agreement the French Army will be only in the humanitarian security zone," he

Dictating the change of heart, he said, were the "disas- reinforced by heavy mortar trous number of refugees" and crews and armored cars eovernment and Patriotic Front determination to continue

meters further east. That area acting as a shield for retreating Rwanda government troops, Colonel Rosier made it clear that all Rwandan combatants - Hutu militia, Rwandan Army and Patriotic Front forces would be excluded

from the humanitarian zone or Analysts suggested that if the French-controlled zone is likely to serve as a magnet for hundreds of thousands of Hutus fleeing feared Tutsi reprisals for the deaths of as many as half a

million Tutsi victims of the war. Despite the notable drop in diplomatic tension, some 300 French troops in Gikongoro, equipped with 90mm cannon, went through their professional paces preparing for a showdown with the Patriotic Front.

Continued from Page 1

it Friday in Parliament from a vote of no confidence. The National Unity Party is led by a politician from Chij, Gheorghe Funar, who is widely compared here to Russia's controversial ultranationalist, Vladimir V. Zhirinovsky.

Mr. Funar was elected mayor agreement is honored, the of Chy in February 1992 and quickly pursued a campaign to make the city Romanian, cleansing it of many symbols of its Hungarian past. Later that year, he came in third in Romamia's presidential election.

Mr. Funar's most prominent opponent here is Laszlo Tokes, the Hungarian Protestant minister whose defiance of the Communist leader Nicolae Ceausescu in December 1989 helped provoke the uprising that toppled the Ceausescu re-

Today, Mr. Tokes is an arduring World War II and then dent Hungarian nationalist. turned over to Romania again "The problem is not the excavaafter the war. tion," Mr. Tokes said in an in-terview in Budapest last week.

nian nationalism." For ethnic Hungarians in Transylvania, "that statue embodies our community consciousness and our history," Mr. Tokes said. Referring to the period of Romanian rule here since 1920, he said, "It's the symbol of our struggle for rights in the face of 75 years of

"That's just the tip of the ice-

berg. It's the revival of Roma-

Transylvania, a region of low mountains, forests and farmland, was ruled by Hungarians either as an autonomous region or as part of successive Hungarian kingdoms from 1003. Transylvania was turned over to Romania after World War I, recovered by Himgary briefly

Generations of Romanian easants in the region chafed under Hungarian rule.

Until 1959, Hungarians formed a majority in Chij and their language was used in schools and on public signs. But Mr. Ceauseson ordered tens of thousands of Romanian peasants to be moved into the city. putting them in scores of drab apartment buildings towering over the city's outskirts.

Hungarians now constitute about 20 percent of Cluj and a slightly higher percentage of the 7 million to 8 million people in

Transylvania. Since Mr. Funar became mayor, he has helped lead an extreme nationalist campaign against Hungarian culture by working to remove the Hungar-ian language from public use.

"There are 80,000 Humparians in Cluj and the Romanians don't take our culture and rights into consideration," said Csaba Takacs, acting president of the Democratic Alliance of Hungarians in Romania. The Hungarians are determined not

Mr. Takacs did not say di-rectly that the conflict could lead to some sort of violence. but he commented that "the history of the Balkans is that when a small nation feels mader pressure there is an explosion."

to see that statue removed."

In the battle over King Mathias, the Romanian ultra-nationalists are out to prove their view of history. The excavation of a Roman forum here would help support a nationalist the-cry that Romannian as deacen-dants of the Roman senters, have a claim on Clui predating that of the Hungarians.

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The Flame Walesa Lit Singes Him In the Polls

By John Pomfret

WARSAW -- Four years after Polish voters elected Lech Walesa president and hailed him as a savior of free Poland. they are turning against the world's most famous electrician-turned-statesman, who will play host to President Bill Clinton this week

From the media to the marketolace. Poles relish roasting their president more than ever before. He is the butt of an endless stream of political

A recent nationwide popular ity poll placed the 51-year-old leader 19th among 20 promi-nent politicisms. With less than a year to go before Poland's next presidential election, his approval rating hovers around

Political analysts caution that a year equals an era in fast-changing Poland, where political fortunes, like Warsaw's fledging stock market, climb and crash in days. But, they also agree, Mr. Walesa faces a trou-bled political future. The reasons for his slide from

grace reflect the profound am-bivalence many Poles feel for the revolutionary fire sparked by their leader — a fire that roared throughout Eastern Enrope, leading to the disintegra-tion of the Communist bloc. The ambivalence has already

manifested itself at ballot boxes throughout Eastern Europe in Hungary last month and be-fore that in Poland in September when parties with roots in the Communist past were voted back to power.

White Mr. Walesa is still haileif abroad as a great revolu-tionary, in Poland he gets little ciedly for the benefits brought by his revolution. He does get blamed, however, for the downside: lost jobs, inflation and, in the view of many Poles, the lack

of a moval center. In W years there will be monthers for me all over this country and people will lay wreaths every chance they get," Mr. Walesa said in a recent interview. "Then I'll kick my cof-fin and shout, Where were you when I receied you?"

A lin a recent poll, taken separately by three organizations for insite accurate results, half the Polis openied said they were happiest during the decades of Communist Party rule.

Only 8 percent chose the present, even though Poland is the only country in Eastern Europe soldiers operating under the kans and the risk of reprisals with a growing economy. The command of the North Atlantic against UN forces. Treaty Organization.

France's Alain forces and the years before World War II and 1989.

The ambivalence is further illustrated in the blase attitude Poles have adopted toward the United States, the symbol of their changes, and Mr. Clin-

ton's visit. "Hundreds of thousands turned out for President George Bush in 1989 during the first of his two trips to Poland, but crowd control is not expected to be a problem for Mr. Clinton. In addition to nostalgia for

the Communist past, Mr. Walesa's personality, routinely described as "divisive," "hectoring" and "unstatesmanlike." has also played a role in his decline in popularity. Last year, following a no-

stead of working to unite proreform forces, he set about turning one against the other in an apparent attempt to increase

tration, told Congress that Iran his power was spending \$2 billion a year "Because he's the president, on arms, could pose a threat to Walesa gets stuck with the bill," the United States and its allies said Jacek Merkel, a former in the Gulf within three to five Solidarity activist, an official on years, and have a unclear weap far. Walesa's first presidential campaign and now a financial consultant in Gdansk. "But he's also got himself to blame."

After Mr. Walesa's election

in 1990, Mr. Merkel broke with the president, illustrating an-other aspect of Mr. Waiesa's popularity problems.
As Poland's revolution has moved from the stark struggle

between communism and freedom to the nuanced, but no less significant, contest for the ar weapon outright, it could shape of the future, Mr. Walesa take much longer than 10 years finds himself something of a finds himself something of a

Rises to 11 in Spanish Fires

The Death Toll

BARCELONA - Wildfires continued to burn through tens of thousands of hectares of eastern and southern Spain on Tuesday, claiming three more

Tuesday's deaths lifted the toll to 11.

Valencia officials said the fire was the region's worst in 50 years, and Agriculture Minister Luis Atienza told Spanish National Radio on Tuesday that the summer was shaping up to be Spain's most fire-plagued in the last two decades.

Investigators were still trying to determine the cause of the fires.



Children near the village of Choosu rescuing farm animals from wildfires in Valencia.

SCANDALS: More Arrests Are Likely as Anti-Corruption Drive Spreads

dered the arrest of Bernard Tapie, the business tycoon-turned-politician, who was charged with tax evasion and fraud. While it is tempting to draw parallels between France and Italy, it is unlikely that corruption investigations in Paris will lead to quite the same kind of judicial earthquake. In France, the state institutions are stronger and the network of powerful government administrators and company managers is significantly less open to outside scrutiny.

What appears to be similar in both countries is the pattern during the 1980s of often incesmous relations between the heads of many private and state companies and the leaders of political parties. In Italy, it was illicit financing of political parties that first put magistrates on the trail toward uncovering other bribery scandals.

If the political backdrop is important in probing past corruption, it is just as relevant in understanding why more dossiers are likely to be opened in France. Mr. Taucher noted that with next year's presidential election looming, some future ar-rests may be the result of "political vendet-

A French financier who asked not to be named said he would not be surprised by more arrests.

"I think you will see more attacks on Socialists as efforts are made to discredit friends of President François Mitterrand," he said, adding that corruption probes would nonetheless affect businessmen of all political persuasions. Mr. Suard, for example, is known to be a fervent supporter of Edouard Balladur, the conservative prime minister.

In France on Tuesday, the most outspo-ken political critic of Mr. Suard's arrest was Gerard Longuet, the trade and indus-try minister and head of the Republican Party who is himself the subject of judicial investigations into alleged influence peddling. Mr. Longuet, who has denied any personal wrongdoing, called the Alcatel

chief's arrest "distressing,"

A typical market reaction to Mr. Suard's arrest came from Marc Altmann, head of French equities at Credit Lyonnais Securities in London, who told Bloomberg Business News: "It seems like every time you turn around in Europe these days something like this is happening. Sure, it's got people nervous."

Indeed, even as Mr. Suard was denying any wrongdoing on Tuesday, there were more signs of Europe's increasing focus on corruption cases. Among the developments this week alone:

• In Spain, where the government of Prime Minister Felipe González is already facing a chain of political scandals of nearly Watergate dimension, the Bank of Spain announced that a former board director would be fined for insider trading just before the central bank intervened last December to save Banesto.

● In Germany, Deutsche Bank AG annonnced that four of its executives were being removed from their jobs because of their involvement in lending to Dr. Jürgen Schneider AG, the collapsed real estate company whose eponymous former chairman is now a fugitive.

 In Rome, a magistrate asked for authority to issue an arrest warrant for the former prime minister, Bettino Craxi, who has cited health reasons for his refusal to return from his vacation home in Tunisia to stand trial in Italy on corruption

BOSNIA: U.S., Russia and EU Issue an Ultimatum assurances that the United of lifting the arms embargo

past that Russia might go to the Serbs' rescue if the West began funneling arms to the Muslims, acknowledged that "in the extreme, it may become inevitable: to lift the arms embargo." He had agreed that this stage would be reached only after other measures failed.

At the same time, Mr. Christopher held out hope that Bosnia's Serbs would accept the

tional sanctions that have damaged the economy of Serbia, the patron and chief supplier of the Bosnian Serb war effort, would be lifted gradually in relation to Serb withdrawal to areas designated on the map.

Mr. Christopher also offered

States would assist in the recon-struction of Board and the state of plementation of the peace could involve as many as 50,000

Much of Tuesday's discussion, however, focused on the more likely eventuality that the Muslims might accept the deal and not the Serbs.

In that case, the big powers would probably take interim measures such as tightening and expanding sanctions against the Serbs or expanding the exclusion zones that protect many consider the ultimate step

and France have expressed agreement, including the partic-grave alarm about lifting the ipation by U.S. military troops in an international force that it could have in spreading the it could have in spreading the

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France's Alam Juppe and Britain's Douglas Hurd, whose

countries are the chief contributors of troops to the UN forces in the former Yugoslavia, de-clared blimtly Thursday that even any consideration of lifting the arms embargo would have grave consequences for the fate of UN troops on the ground. They indicated that the troops would probably be the Muslims before taking what pulled out of harm's way well

IRAN: Weak Economy Thwarts Drive for Dominance

Continued from Page 1

repeatedly blocked in his five-year battle to control the bureaucracy, privatize stateowned companies, unify the foreign exchange rate and promote economic development to conservative religious leaders and an obstructionist Parlia-

Instead of dismantling price controls as Mr. Rafsanjani has recommended, the government two weeks ago put into effect a law requiring every bazzar merchant to put price tags on all

But the infighting in the government is so intense that even as municipal officials soldered shut the gates of merchants who did not comply, Interior Ministry officials went around the capital cutting them open. Under the Iranian Constitu-

tion, Mr. Rafsanjani, who is a senior cleric although not an ayatollah, cannot run again

A number of Western and States.

Asian diplomats in Tehran predict that his successor could be severe that some U.S. governeven more inward-looking, and ment analysts have begun an confidence vote in Parliament, more hostile to the West. Despite his flaws, they say, Mr. military abilities, although not and called elections. But insavvy with the religious authority to stand up to Ayatollah Sayed Ali Khamenei, the country's spiritual leader. Although Iran has succeeded.

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zerland in the past year, the R James Woolsey Jr., who
government has been unable to succeeded Mr. Gates under secure significant new credit or foreign investment.

Paradoxically, even though the United States bars imports from Iran, American oil companies have emerged as a major supporter of the Iranian economy. Some oil industry experts say these companies bought as yes much as \$3.6 billion in oil last when his second term ends in year through legal transactions.

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Rafsanjani combines political of its expansionist intentions. In 1992, Robert M. Gates, the director of central intelligence during the Bush adminis-

Iran's economic woes are so

President Bill Clinton, told

Congress last year that Iran would need 8 to 10 years to build a nuclear weapon unless it had extensive outside help.

Now, Pentagon officials and others say fram spent only about \$800 million on foreign arms last

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Kohl Says González Won't Take EU Post

BONN — Chancellor Helmut Kohl publicly crossed Felipe González, the prime minister of Spain, off the list for European Commission president on Tuesday and said he doubted Jacques Delors of France would extend his tenure until a new

leader is found. "Felipe González has left no doubt that he is not available for this post," Mr. Kohl said after a joint meeting of his cabinet and the commission, the executive body of the EU. He said consultations on who would assume the commission presidency were still going on.

The 12-country union has been plunged into crisis by its failure to agree on a successor to Mr. Delors for the key post. Brussels to decide the issue.

Britain blocked the appointment of the Belgian prime minister, Jean-Luc Dehaene, at an EU meeting last month.

Mr. Kohl, whose country now holds the six-month rotating presidency of the European Union, countered press speculation that had focused on Mr. González by saying, "It was in the newspapers, but that

doesn't mean it's right."

Asked whether Mr. Delors would stay on after his term expires at the end of this year to give member states more time to decide, he stated flatly: "I don't think so." Mr. Delors had no comment about his plans but said he was sure the search for a successor would be finished by July 15, when Mr. Kohl has called a meeting in

One commissioner said that while Mr. González was out of the running, EU members still seemed keen to have a prime minister or former national leader succeed

The other candidate of such stature being mentioned is Giuliano Amato, who gained international respect during 10 stormy months as the prime minister of Italy before his coalition government fell in April 1992. Diplomatic sources in Rome said Mon-

day that Mr. Amato was emerging as a possible strong contender. "It is a name that is doing the rounds and not just in the press," one senior diplomat from an EU country said.

Continued from Page 1 groups burned tires and held prayer vigils on the main road from Jerusalem to Jeri-

Mr. Arafat was ferried to Jericho aboard the Egyptian helicopter with an Israeli Air Force escort. He flew over the Mediterranean, then inland north of Tel Aviv, near Jerusalem and into the Jordan Valley.

Speaking at a bus station normally used by travelers to and from Jordan over the Allenby Bridge, Mr. Arafat was repeatedly interrupted by zealous followers who tried to break through the cordon of armed soldiers surrounding him. Mr. Arafat publicly embraced Rabbi

Moshe Hirsch, leader of the Netenri Karta, an ultraorthodox Jewish sect that rejects

Zionist state."

PLO: Arafat Flies to West Bank and Forms His Palestinian Government

Whisked away under heavy guard, Mr. named Arafat never made the triumphal entrance. into Jericho's town square that many had that paid thousands of dollars for rooftop

As recently as Monday night, the Jericho municipality was selling \$5,000 vantage points in the square for an appearance that never came.

In a private ceremony in a heavily-fortified building that is now headquarters for the Palestine National Authority, Mr. Arafat took an oath of office as head of the

new self-rule regime.
But only half the 24 members of the Zionism Rabbi Hirsch later told reporters. Palestinian Council were on hand to take Palestinian institutions in Jerusalem

"This is the beginning of the end . . . of the their caths. The remaining members did not come to Jericho or have not yet been . One of the leading Palestinians in the

West Hank, Faisal Husseini, decided not to anticipated, including television networks take the nath, although Mr. Arafat had named him to the council. According to Nabil Shaath, who is minister for economic planning, Mr. Husseini,

who comes from a family long associated with Jerusalem, declined to be sworn in because he wants to "emphasize the primacy of his role in Jerusalem." Israel has insisted that the self-rule govermment be based in Jericho, and Mr. Hus-

seini apparently wanted to sidestep a conflict over the appointment. Mr. Husseini plays a key role in several

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What Solution for Yemen?

threatens wider trouble. Other Arab countries have become involved, including by some accounts, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Sudan. Both Yemeni sides are oil producers. And a military attack against the southern port of Aden could produce a humanitarian disaster, imperiling more than 400,000 inhabitants.

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Conservative Arab regimes, led by Saudi Arabia, sought a United Nations peacekeeping force to halt the north's offensive. So far, UN efforts have been limited to unsuccessful mediation attempts and useless cease-fire agreements that break down almost instantly. The Saudis and their allies also are poised to recognize the south, which would recreate the two independent Yemens that merged in 1990. The United States, however, opposes recognition. It has persuaded the Security Council to authorize merely a regional monitoring force, which would be deployed only after a lasting cease-fire takes hold.

Unified Yemen held promise as a testing ground for democracy in a region noted for despotism. But beneath the democratic surface, two prickly leaders battled

The civil war tearing Yemen apart for influence. The last straw for the southern leader, Ali Salem Baid, may have come when Ali Abdullah Saleh, the northern leader and Yemen's president, struck an alliance with an Islamic party, reducing the influence of southern politicians. Civil war broke out on May 4 and the south seceded on May 21. Southerners say the northern side is backed by Iraq and Sudan.

Washington's cautious approach to the Yemen crisis, encouraging regional action outside the UN framework, is a good example of the way the Clinton administration, chastened by the Somalia fiasco, now intends to pursue multilateralism.

It is a sensible policy. The United Nations cannot afford to go everywhere and does not always have a useful role to play in internal conflicts. But relying on regional forces also has risks. In larger operations, participating armies are left freer to pursue their own national interests. Meanwhile, the problem of inadequate UN performance is sidestepped rather than remedied. And in Yemen, regional monitoring may be able neither to stop the war nor contain its wider repercussions.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Russia's Economy Waits

tor Chernomyrdin, visited Washington last month, he attended the signing of the contract for another enormous oil and gas project. This kind of investment holds great hope for the Russian economy, far more than foreign aid. But the project like others that have been announced but not yet actually begun - depends on legislation by the Duma to establish basic rights of property and rules of taxation. That legislation raises many issues that Russia is finding difficult to resolve, and it is crucial to the country's economic future.

This latest enterprise would go after the huge reserves of oil and natural gas under the Sea of Okhotsk off Sakhalin Island. It envisions investment in the range of \$10 billion by a consortium of five companies — two American, two Japanese and one European — headed by Marathon Oil of Houston. They expect that as much as 70 percent of this investment would be spent on Russian payrolls and equipment. Once in operation, wells would provide a stream of foreign currency earnings, as well as fuel for Russian homes and industries.

Russian oil production is not much more than half the peak of a decade ago. The drop has been caused partly by the general chaos of the economy, but mostly

When the Russian prime minister, Vik- by reckless exploitation and poor maintenance over the years. In the early 1980s the Soviet Union was by far the world's biggest oil producer, and even today Russia alone is the third-biggest after Saudi Arabia and the United States. It commands vast reserves and great technical resources. Joint ventures like the Sakhalin Project can provide not only money but additional expertise to bring Russian production and exports back up. That can do a lot more for the Russian standard of living than waiting for aid from other countries, particularly since the West is falling short on its promises.

The contract was signed in the United States because the project is proceeding under the aegis of the U.S.-Russian Joint Commission on Economic and Technological Cooperation, chaired by Mr. Chernomyrdin and Vice President Al Gore. Both duly blessed it and called it an important proof of favorable opportunities for direct investments in Russia." But that will be true only if Russia's leadership, and particularly the Duma, can resolve its doubts about market economics sufficiently to establish a legal framework for the kind of sustained foreign investment that this venture offers.

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At the center of all the litigation in America on access to abortion clinics is the conflict between the rights of patients and staff to obtain and provide abortions - a right guaranteed by the constitution - and the rights of abortion opponents to picket and demonstrate at clinics, a of the First Amendment. Last week, the Supreme Court considered one of these cases, weighed the competing rights and provided some limited guidance for lower-court judges. In this case, which involved a court injunction, the justices made reasonable choices.

In the summer of 1992, abortion protesters began demonstrations at a clinic in Melbourne, Florida, and at the homes of clinic staff members. A state court prohibited the demonstrators from blocking access to the clinic and physically abusing patients who sought to enter. Six months later, enjoined activities were continuing, so the court issued a broader injunction barring the protesters from picketing or demonstrating within 36 feet of the property, being excessively noisy during certain hours, displaying signs that could be ob-served by patients inside the clinic, approaching any patient without her consent within 300 feet of the clinic in order to provide "counseling" and demonstrating within 300 feet of a clinic employee's resi-

Jobs and the Naples Agenda

I want to brief you on what we see in the Naples summit. We'll be looking at

our progress to date and see where we 20

from here. We're beginning to see signs of economic recovery in the G-7. We're see-

ing it in Eastern Europe, and in turn,

we're seeing it in Russia. But our major

concern continues to be economic growth

and the creation of jobs. We're in much

better shape than we were in Tokyo, when many of the G-7 countries were

seeing their economies deteriorating. The

strategy we put in place last year is working: for the United States to cut its bud-

dence or harassing such individuals. The three dissenting justices found that the injunction was based on the content of the protesters' speech, was therefore subject to the highest standard of scrutiny and accordingly was unconstitutional. The majority used a somethe 36-foot buffer zone and the restriction on noise. Other provisions were found to infringe on the demonstrators' free speech unnecessarily. Chief Justice William Rehnquist, writ-

ing for the majority, implied that more carefully tailored restrictions on residential picketing and threatening signs might be upheld. The majority also ruled that the injunction was not based on the content of the protesters' speech because an injunction, unlike a statute, is limited to a particular group and directed at its past actions rather than members' shared viewpoint.

Each demonstration is different, and every injunction is addressed only to the factual situation before the court. Permutations on the Melbourne order will surely be tested. The First Amendment protects even the most obnoxious protesters as long as they are not violent. This principle must be respected as the courts seek ways also to protect the right to clinic access. The court struggled to find a balance and succeeded.

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schedule on that one; for Europe to cut

interest rates; and for Japan to stimulate

their economy. As a result, G-7 econo-

mies will grow 2.5 percent in the GNP

this year, versus a growth rate last year of

larly well. We have 40 percent of the GDP of the G-7 countries, but we've

had 75 percent of that growth. Beyond growth, there will be a heavy emphasis

on jobs. The president feels very strong-

- Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen at

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- THE WASHINGTON POST.

ar peace as the negotiations between John Kennedy and Nikita Khrushchev at the height of the Cuban missile crisis. Those negotiations were tense, and they end-

States are as important for nucle-

ed only when the two principals worked their way to an understanding that included concessions on both sides. But one crucial matter was decided on the American side, and announced to the American people, before the negotiation began: The Soviet

missiles must leave Cuba.

There is a parallel requirement now, and it has not yet been clearly set forth by Bill Clinton: The fuel rods full of photonium that are now cooling off at Youghyon must come under effective international control before they can be moved beyond reach by Kim Il Sung. The deadline is some weeks ahead the exact date is for the U.S. government to decide on the basis of its best information - but the deadline is real because if there is no agreed and sustained international control before the rods are movable, then there will be no protection against a North Korean decision to wreck the negotiation by unilateral action at any time.

It is altogether wrong to assert that this crisis is over; its moment of truth is still ahead. Only the U.S. government can make this reality plain to its people, and only an American public that understands it can give the president

By McGeorge Bundy and Gordon M. Goldstein

WASHINGTON — The com-ing negotiations between North Korea and the United

ed and supported by others. What makes the cooling fuel rods crucial is that if they are not either removed from North Korea or brought under international control, there will be no way of knowing if they are being used to make up to six or eight North Korean nuclear warheads. There will be no assurance that Mr. Kim

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is in fact respecting his side of the arrangement sketched out — but not at all concluded — in his talks with Jimmy Carter.

The analogy to the missile crisis is clear: America saw the Soviet missiles leave Cuba; it must see that the fuel rods come under effective international oversight before they are cool enough to be moved and hidden. America needs this result because without it there will be no solid agreement at all with Mr. Kim, only an intensified crisis of fear and nuclear distrust. That is exactly what Soviet missiles remaining in Cuba would have meant in 1962.

Before the coming discussions

the support he will need if this begin, Mr. Clinton should make requirement of effective interna- this requirement clear to the tional supervision is to be respect- American people and indeed to all concerned. In 1994 failure to achieve control over the fuel rods would mean not only a potentially severe nuclear threat to South Korea, Japan and others in the region. but the lively and ominous possibility of a North Korean nuclear arms trade with Iran or Libva or

> even terrorist organizations. There is another parallel to the missile crisis. A successful negotiarion will have to be satisfactory to both sides. Mr. Kim will have to have his own success in the meeting, whether in trade or other "concessions." Mr. Kennedy was lucky in 1962; he could withdraw the American warheads on missiles in Turkey by his own unilateral secret decision.

Mr. Clinton has no such simple

choice as he considers what can make the coming meeting a success for Mr. Kim, too, but the matter deserves intense consideration. And where public or congressional support, or both, may be needed, the argument in favor of such action should be set forth. ahead of time. If Mr. Kennedy had required public support for the Turkish missile trade, he would have found it hard to get. He had disliked those missiles for years, but he had not said so out loud. and still less had he sought public support for his sensible view.

Fortunately there is in the present case one very important account that is largely under Mr. Clinton's direct control Let's call it the Foreign Leader's Prestige Account. The president decides who he meets, who gets what kind of entertainment, who gets American help in hosting international soocer matches and all sorts of other things, up to and including diplomatic recognition.

If a foreign statesman happens to value such things highly, should Americans object? Or should they be delighted to trade such international good manners toward the substance of an explicit North Korean turn away from the temptations of leading a black market in nuclear weapons? If the July meeting made possible by Mr. Carter can decisively resolve the fuel rod problem, that result will be well worth a presidential demonstration of American good manners toward the forcign negotiating partner who makes that outcome possible. Resolute negotiation can defin-

itively test the sharply debated proposition that Mr. Kim is ready to trade away a prospective large-scale nuclear capability. If conducted properly, this test will demonstrate North Korea's real intentions. If they accept a bargain, the crisis is resolved. If they refuse a bargain, then Mr. Cimton's effort will strengthen his hand both domestically and internationally for the response that must follow.

There is one important difference between this affair and the missile crisis. The Americans are not alone this time. Of course the United States had allies and friends to consult and to reassure in 1962, but there was no way for them to help America directly in the crucial task of persuading Mr. Khrushchev. Now it is different. By challenging the credibility of the global nonproliferation regime and its treaties, North Korea's nuclear ambitions threaten the entire international community.

America has friends with interests at least as strong its own in avoiding a major North Korean breakout. That means that Washington must talk and listen to the governments in Beijing and Seoul and Moscow and Tokyo, and indeed to many more. It also must give timely attention to the UN Security Council, which is the final international authority on miclear behavior that threatens peace. Here the task has been well begun, but as crises become acute

it is easy to neglect the politics of the United Nations. We say "politics" deliberately and as a form of praise. This is a problem in power politics, not an exercise in soothing words, and in this hard world it is a good thing for all of us that today the Security Council matters.

Mr. Bundy, special assistant for national security affairs from 1961 to 1966, is chairman of the United Nations Association Project on the Security Council and Nonprolifer-ation. Mr. Goldstein is director of the project. They contributed this comment to The Washington Post.

Saudi Arabia's Solid Foundations Assure a Durable Kingdom

V has been around in one form or another since about 1744, a quarter of a century before the American Revolution. It has ridden out many storms and

emerged as a highly viable state in proximity to a number of dangers. So it is curious that we must face queries every now and then about the kingdom's durability, as in The Washington Post (" 'Stability' at a High Price," IHT, June 24).

Just in the past 40 years, we have surmounted threats coming from the combined, Western-rooted Arab nationalism and socialism that arose in the 1950s and '60s, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's radical subversion in the '70s and '80s and military bullying by Saddam Hussein at the outset of the '90s. Despite all that, Saudi society and its

political leadership have completed in the most recent quarter century the swiftest and most comprehensive economic, social and physical infrastructure devel-opment not only in our history but compared with just about any developing country in a similar time frame. The price tag was nearly \$1 trillion.

The results now are free health care for all our people, free education through university, interest-free long-term loans for housing, small business and farming

By Bandar ibn Sultan Prince Bandar is Saudi Arabia's ambassador to the United States.

and a number of other programs -- but still no income taxes.

Just in the past year, King Fahd has put into effect a law that reinforces fundamental guarantees and establishes a consultative assembly nationally and in each province. We have a staunchly independent judiciary, as detailed in a five-year study completed last year by a member of the Harvard Law School faculty. Most important, we are building our nation based on our own values, faith and culture.

"Foreign imports" are nice as shiny or high-tech "things." But intangible social and political institutions imported from elsewhere can be deadly. Ask the shah. A constant problem with so much of the West is the pervasive need for shortfused solutions and instant gratification. Our pace is more for long-distance run-

ning for durability.
We are strong friends of the United States and were when that was not fashionable. Not just now and not only because of "Desert Storm" but because America was never really a colonial power in the world and the heartland of Saudi Arabia was never a colony. As well, we im downtown Riyadh and the rest of have important mutual interests. It was Sandi Arabia. What Western humanimportant, too, that the U.S. was anticommunist. So were we, for deeply held religious reasons. It is also relevant to us that the U.S. champions a free economy and a vigorous private sector. So do we. It's important, too, that the American

people (but not necessarily some activists in the media and elsewhere) generally respect other people's cultures. The hundreds of thousands of Americans who have worked and lived in Saudi Arabia over the years have made it clear that Americans are individualists. So are our people. At the same time, we come from an almost timeless culture and firmly hold to our religious faith. Islam for us is not just a religion but a way of life. We Saudis want to modernize, but not neces Westernize. We respect U.S. society even if we disagree on some matters, and we do. Our stability will ultimately depend, of

course, on our people's attitude toward our leaders' policies. That wonderful Massachusetts political philosopher, the late Tip O'Neil, was globally insightful when he emphasized, "All politics are local." It does not help King Fand, for exam-ple, to look good for The Washington

Post or others in Washington but not to work within the overwhelming consensus

rights or other politically correct groups here may want doesn't help King Palid at all when the Saudi people have a strong differing view of their own, based on Islam and our other basic ways. We don't have to like all America does, and it doesn't have to like all that we do.

But fogether we can respect each other's rights to our own basic values and ways in our respective societies and be civil with each other when we disagree. As to the complaint about police ex-

cesses in Sandi Arabia, we have long had clear and specific Islamic laws against those, as we cited in a U.S. Supreme Court case in which we prevailed last year. English language sources, easily researched, show those laws being enforced by both our courts and executive branch.

The problem, as the Rodney King case in California dramatizes, is in handling the occasional inevitable exceptions to responsible law enforcement. But neither the United States nor Saudi Arabia are alone in having to cope with that. We continue to work on it. We hope America is as well, undistracted by finger-pointing. And so here I go again: Saudi Arabia is very stable as it moves steadily ahead.

The Washington Post.

Asians Need to Get Involved in a New Regional Security Order ahead for East Asia, especially for

SINGAPORE — The Clinton administration's foreign policy fumblings have drawn attention away from more fundamental questions about the role of the United States in Asia, where America's strategic presence risks being underminded by the growing reluctance of nations in the

region to provide greater support. Asians have lost much confidence in American leadership. Yet they have done little to keep U.S. military power available to serve the interests of order and security in their region.

In the late 1980s, all members of the Association of South East Asian Nations and most other East Asian governments wanted U.S. forces to remain at Clark Air By Paul Y. Hammond

Base and Subic Bay Naval Station in the Philippines. Yet only Singapore showed any concern that Manila would seek to have them shut down. Lee Kuan Yew. Singapore's senior minister, offered to rent military facilities in Singapore to the United States as a partial substitute for Clark and Subic, and he timed his offer to make a point to Manila while it

was negotiating with Washington. No other country in Asia took a public stand on the issue, although Kim Beazley, Australia's defense minister, tried unsuccessfully to put together a multilateral announcement by regional states endorsing the value to Asian security of having U.S. forces in the Philippines. Mr. Bezzley's intent was to make it easier for Manila to face down the nationalist chal-

lenge to the U.S. bases. Asian states wanted to enjoy. the strategic benefits of the base but were unwilling to share with Manila the political burden of their location. They also were unwilling to encourage the United States by offering alternative basing facilities, claiming that this was politically impossible.

Such free riding continues today when the risks of conflict are even greater. Viewed in this light, East Asia's muted reaction to the North Korean nuclear crisis is

particularly discouraging. One would think that North Korea's missiles were aimed at American, not Asian, targets.

It is dangerous for Asians to assume that the foundations of their strategic order will remain in place without their active involvement in maintaining and strengthening it. This is a default, given the growing economic strength of East Asia and the claims of political and social maturity that the region makes in defending Asian ways of doing things.
With the end of the Cold War,

the United States is becoming more selective in defining its national interests. This is a power-ful impulse in both the Clinton administration and in Congress. Even committed internationalists in the United States insist that America should narrow its commitments to those that are absolutely vital.

Still, America is not about to

turn away from Asia. It intends to participate in the region's eco-nomic growth. Asian countries will compete for American capital, trade and markets. But this does not mean that the United States will continue to play a security role in East Asia on terms that will satisify the region unless Asians actively work to assure that the role to be played by America is satisfactory to them.

small and medium states in the shadow of Chinese and Japanese power. In the past, the United States was prepared to use its forces in the region to deter trouble makers and help maintain an armitibilities. equilibrium. Such a committment

can no longer be taken for granted.
Yet Asian-countries are doing little to face up to the strategic and military implications of China's growing economic strength. If Washington bows to Asian demands that it confined to the strategic little and the strategic little and the strategic little str mands that it confine U.S. foreign policy to nonpolitical objectives, Asians will have lost one of the few levers that might be used to influence the direction that China and Japan will take.

Admittedly, the Clinton administration's use of political leverage in Asia has been inept, but it will not get any better without practice. Asians, in turn, need practice developing their role as participants, rather than onlookers, in the new regional security order. The time for free riding is over.

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Neighborhood With a Gun to Its Head sponsible person by a decent

NEW YORK — For the last three years, I have ridden the subway through Brooklyn to Brownsville, one of America's toughest neighborhoods. Every time the doors of the train slide open, I wonder if the bad guys

will get on looking for a victim. Sometimes it is hard to tell the baby gunmen from the kids just trying to grow up without getting shot. Often the basket-ball players or the kids on the Thomas Jefferson High School debate team, kids who haven't had the heart cut out of them by the relentless violence in their neighborhoods, dress just like the killers, so they won't be-come victims themselves.

A vast number of black and Latino youths in the inner cities are trying desperately to make some sense of their lives. But they are caught in a crossfire between a small group of socio-paths in their midst and the fortitude, imagine trying to conlarger society that has written them out of the future. A generation of city teenagers is turning inward, away from counsel from the old heads in their community and communication

with the larger society. Shut out, they have created their own shadow hierarchies based on things like clothing. One New York group calls itself the LoLifes and wears only Polo by Ralph Lauren - which its

members shoplift.

By Greg Donaldson

selves "Money." A hit song by the rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg includes the chorus "I've got my mind on my money and my money on my mind." The gangster rappers pick up the cadence of the automatic gunfire and chant of death by the bullet. "Rollin' with this one and that one - pullin' out gats for fun,"

recites the Wu-Tang Clan. For the young, the lyrics and posturing relieve some of the despair of urban reality but not the fear. They are ever aware of the real lunatics in their midst. In Brooklyn they call them "mad agents," people who will shoot you for stepping on their toes or

taking too long on a pay phone. For anyone who thinks the effects of urban experience can readily be overcome by personal centrate through a day's work knowing that a person with a gun is waiting for you outside.

From the earliest age, innercity kids are forced to adapt to such mortal fear, while they are bombarded with the message that they are expendable. By adolescence, kids lose their hope and eventually their empathy.

Some are pushed over the edge. The kids want to work. I have seen them besiege school administrators for a few intern-The worship of money is so ships I have seen a dropout, a intense that kids nickname thempetty thief, turned into a re-

job. As I walk through the procts I have beard them plead: You a reporter? Can you get me a job?" But the likelihood is that there will be no jobs. It is

simply not on the agenda.

In 1992 the "Save a Generation" program started with a proposal for 1,000 living-wage jobs for Bronx youth. With the support of John Cardinal O'Connor and Fernando Ferrage the Bronx horses the Bronx h rer, the Bronx borough president, the program raised high hopes for an alternative to the underground economy. After two years of intense effort, program leaders now hope to realize just 25 minimum-wage jobs.

None of this means we should ignore crime. Of course there are crimes for which there's no excuse: people, even very young ones, who must be swiftly segre-gated from society. Lock up the "mad agents," but remember the generation of minority youth that remains,

Right now our societal intent is clear. In Brownsville, the city is at work on a \$30 million youth detention center so young people don't ever have to leave the neighborhood, even to go to jail.

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There are grave uncertainties

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

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1894: U.S. Labor Strife NEW YORK - The strikers in

Chicago and elsewhere are derailing trains, overturning cars and otherwise rioting, despite the military. The latter are charging repeatedly, whereupon the mobs break up and reform at other points. The regulars have reframed from shooting driving the men back with their bayonets or with cavalry. Mr. Debs, president of the Strikers' Union, has issued a manifesto, saying: "The first shot fired by the troops will be the signal for an uprising of labor... precipitating a civil war."

1919: Get to Work!

PARIS - These are days when we hear much about work. Newspapers are full of it. The word is in the mouth of statesmen of every country. "Work!" they cry to the masses; "the world can only be saved by work." Kings take up the cry and presidents echo it with Republican eloquence. But alas! there was never so little work done as now, and never were there so many State-ordered holidays. The moveable feast of present-day Europe bids fair to outrival the Saints-day holidays of the Russia that once was Holy.

1944: Revolution Fever

WASHINGTON — [From our New York edition:] Officials here who are charged with responsibility for inter-American relations appeared unworried today [July over the current epidemic of bloodless revolutions in Central America Officially they view the unrest in each republic as a strictly internal affair. Unofficially, it was apparent they look upon the uprisings as wholesome reactions against leaders who have been dictators.

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WASHINGTON — For all the criticism aimed at President

By Edward N. Luttwak Bill Chinton and his highly personal Power, but Americans decline the of local populations and peace. honor, they are not willing to pay

absence of functioning Great Powmability to cope not only with ag- actions of families and friends. gressive Small Powers such as Serbia. not only with secessionists of all kinds, but even with mere armed

bands on a rampage.

By the classic definition, Great Powers were states strong enough to successfully wage war on their own. That distinction is now outdated. The issue is not whether war can be made with or without allies, but whether war can be made at all. For there was a tacit condition to Great Power status: a readiness to use force whenever it was advantageous to do so, accepting the resulting combat casualties portage: the societal base of modern, with equanimity so long as their

would normally be able to rely on five or six live births were common, intimidation rather than combat, that with eight or nine far from rare. On was only so because it was taken for the other hand, infant mortality rates granted that they would use force were also high. When it was normal when called for. Nor did a Great to lose one or more children to dis-Power conceive of limiting its use of ease, the loss of one more youngster force to situations in which genuinely in war had a different meaning. "vital" interests — that is, survival interests — were at stake. Great Pow- for any reason was always tragic no ers could remain "great" only if they doubt, yet death in combat was not were seen to be willing and able to the extraordinary and fundamenuse force to protect interests far from tally unacceptable event that it has vital, and indeed to acquire more now become. Parents and relatives nonvital interests in the form of dis- who commonly approve when their tant possessions or expansions of children decide to join the armed their spheres of influence.

debacle precipitated by the loss of 18 geous scandal, rather than as an U.S. soldiers, and the hasty retreat of occupational hazard. when challenged by a small group of situations already dramatically amputee beggar in their path witharmed Haitian thugs, to expose the prominent on the national scene, that unreality of the Great Power concept rules out one of the most efficient restaurant or bank. Blindness, too,

in our own days. sively American. Most recently, Brit-er, if it is to protect allies, clients and ain and France (not to mention Gerlonger-range global interests, must many) refused to risk their forces to risk combat in situations in which it is resist aggression in the former Yugo- not compelled to fight. slavia. To be sure, no European pow-er has any vital interests in the former with few lives at risk, sea power can Yugoslavia. But that is the very es- be useful at times, and the United sence of the matter. Historical Great States has some robotic weapons Powers would have viewed the disin- and will have more. But Bosnia, Sotegration of Yugoslavia not as a nox-malia, Haiti and now North Korea ions problem to be avoided but as an remind us that the typical Great opportunity to be exploited. With the Power business of "restoring order" restoration of law and order as their still requires ground forces.

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Now That Great Powers Are Gone

who has backed away from armed intervened to establish zones of infin-interventionism will have to be inconfrontation over North Korea, ence. Thus the "power vacuum" vented. The remedies currently Hain, Somalia and Bosnia, but would have been filled — to the disavailable are inadequate. Having American society. The world wants appointment of local Small Power powerfully equipped armed forces is the United States to act as a Great ambitions and to the great advantage ineffectual when intimidation fails

Nor is the refusal to tolerate combat casualties confined to democra-During much of the Cold War as cies. The Soviet Union was still an may include a good unit or two, but before it, local and regional conflicts intact totalitarian state when it enwere often instigated or at least en- gaged in its classic Great Power ven- inator strategic decisions, chaotic couraged and materially supported ture in Afghanistan. But Soviet headby rival Great Powers. Now it is the quarters was under intense pressure if not corrupt supporting staffs, and from Moscow to avoid casualties at a prevalence of troops neither able ers that is the cause of the world's all costs, because of the outraged re- nor willing to fight.

There is a fundamental explanaout uncontrolled television war re-

Great Powers would have viewed Yugoslavia's disintegration as an opportunity to be exploited.

post-industrial societies. In the families that composed the populations number was not disproportionate.

In the past, while Great Powers of the Great Powers of history, four,

To lose a young family member forces are now apt to view their It suffices to mention the Somalia wounding or death as an outra-

uses of force: earlier rather than later, The condition is far from exclu- to prevent escalation. A Great Pow-

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with chronic disorder and widespread violence, a synthetic version style of government, it is not just he ostensible motive, they would have of Great Power "law and order"

> and still we refuse to fight. As for collective military action

We are therefore left with two rather improbable schemes. Both tion that can be valid with or without circumvent the societal refusal to democratic governance, with or withcould be organized. Yet both would be furiously opposed by the military establishment, and undeniably have

unpleasant moral connotations. One scheme would be to copy the Ghurka model, recruiting troops in some suitable region abroad. America's "Ghurkas" would provide the infantry units, with native U.S. forces providing the more technical forms of combat support that carry smaller risks and fewer casualties. The alternative is to copy the Foreign Legion model, with U.S.-offi-cered units manned by "denationalized" individual volunteers, perhaps attracted by the offer of U.S. citizenship after a given term of service.

The United States did raise ethnic mercenary units in Indochina, with rather good results, and did recruit foreign volunteers for Europe-based Special Forces. So neither scheme is as outlandish or unprecedented as it may seem. Still one would not want to bet that they would be seriously considered, let alone adopted.

If we can find no remedy for the

passing of the Great Powers, we will have to learn not to see, hear or feel much that would otherwise offend our moral sensitivities. Richer inhabitants of the poorest countries learn from youngest childhood how If fives can only be placed at risk in to politely step over the quadruplecan be learned, and we too will have to learn how to passively ignore avoidable tragedies and horrific atrocities. But of course the experience of Bosnia-Herzegovina shows that we have already made much progress in that direction.

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Don't Trust the Mail to Deliver Your Dreams

DOSTON — I have a friend D who writes letters. Real letters, on real stationery, with a real pen. What is more unusual, she mails them. I hate to date her like this, but she goes to the mailbox on the corner of her street and casually feeds it envelopes full of her hopes and dreams.

I, on the other hand, have joined the legions of Americans who now

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regard using the mails as risk-taking activity. I think of the mailbox as a slot machine. I never gamble on it more than I can afford to lose. I feed it at 29 cents a shot, wave the envelopes goodbye, and then place my bet on how many days it will take to get to its ZIP code.

If it gets through to anyone in Chicago — known since last winter as the black hole of mailbags — I feel as if I've won the jackpot.

I also get mail — a lot of it — from around the country. I figure that roughly one letter in four must take a long circuitous route from, say, Oregon to Karachi to Minsk before it arrives on my desk. The all-time record belongs to a large manila envelope from sixth-graders in Minnesota who were learning to write letters. By the time it arrived, the children were writing applications to college. But they had learned their lesson about the mail.

This explains why few Americans will be surprised to hear that mail delivery is getting slower again. The spring statistics from the Business Mailers Review show that only 82 percent of the letters that were supposed to arrive in one day actually did so. That is down 2 percent in one year. Only 71 percent of the letters within 600 miles of their destination arrived within two days - traveling at 13 miles an hour. As for the socalled three-day letters, only 77 percent made their deadline.

This is a record that makes the baggage-handling at the Rome airport look like a model of efficiency. By Ellen Goodman

Maybe the popular expression "Snail Mail" is unkind, but how about "Any Day Now Mail" or Sooner or Later Mail"?

In my childhood, when the post office was "a sinkhole of political patronage," stamps cost 3 cents, the downtown mail was delivered twice a day and none of us worned about disappearing letters. Now the Postal Service is going lean and mean, the stamp costs 25 cents going on 32 cents, the annual deficit is headed to \$2 billion, and the mail carriers worry less about deranged dogs than about some stressed-out co-worker with an Uzi.

The pace of the world has sped up and the mail has slowed down. A whole population of "disgruntled postal customers" has fled to the competition. There is a middle-

class, business-class flight from U.S. mail to E-mail and voice mail. In offices, people still send things to each other, but they do it by fax or, if they have time to kill, by Editor column is more often the Faxes to the Editor column. The private mail service is becoming the

Just a few years ago, a fax came with an aura of urgency. Now, anything that is mailed comes with the message that it can wait.

As for the promise that the check is in the mail, it has become the cynical gag line in an era that regards mail as a way to slow the flow. In fact, the check - if it's a Social Security check or a pension check - is probably not in the mail, but electronically deposited in the bank.

As for "junk mail," the phrase is becoming redundant. If it's mail, it's probably junk. Only 3 or 4

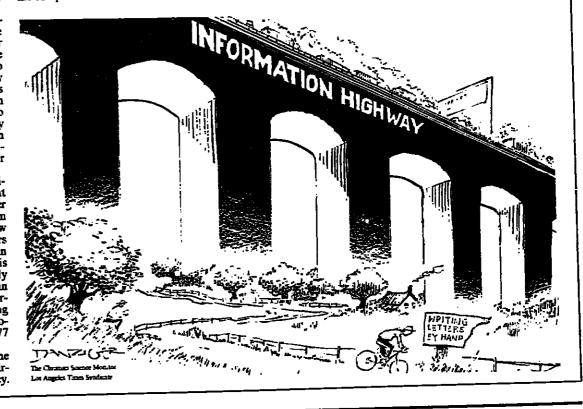
percent of the mailbag these days consists of letters written by people. More missives are written by computers that address us as if we were intimates than are written by Federal Express. The Letters to the friends. Our friends have learned to reach out and touch us by phone. What comes through the door probably lands in the recycle bin.

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This is the dirty little secret of deteriorating delivery system. The mail service we can't count on is one that we won't count on. If vast numbers of Americans drop out of mass mail the way they dropped out of mass transit, the costs go up higher, the service goes down further, and the gap grows between those who have alterna-

tives and those who do not. Anybody know the ZIP code for Postmaster General Marvin Runyon? Someone ought to send him a letter. On second thought, fax it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Russian Forces in Estonia: Will the Group of Seven Help?

As the leaders of the Western world come together in Naples, the people of Estonia, Latvia and Lithnania are watching with great interest. For the first time, Russia has been invited to the Group of Seven summit meeting to participate directly, not only in economic, but also in political discussions. For the Baltic people, and for Estonians especially, this event provides a realistic hope to persuade Russians that the former Soviet troops that are still stationed in Estonia should leave by Aug. 31.

Estonian-Russian negotiations on troop withdrawal are entering their third year and have exhausted themselves. To break the deadlock, the Estonian president, Lennart Meri, proposed a top-level political meeting during talks with the Russian foreign minister, Andrei Kozyrev, in New York last year. In May 1994, a second meeting between President Meri and Mr. Kozyrev was held in Tallinn. At a press conference afterward, Mr. Kozyrev once more confirmed that there are no technical difficulties that would prevent completion of the troop withdrawal by the end of August, if agreement can be reached. As a result of his meeting, the negotiations were taken to a higher political level, but again a breakthrough did not materialize.
The Russian side attaches the signing of an agreement to another prob-

lem, the status of retired Soviet military officers in Estonia. This is unacceptable to Estonia, for these are separate problems and should be dealt with separately. No country has the right to keep troops on the territory of another country against its will. That is why on July 9, 1992, President

Boris Yeltsin together with other heads of state adopted the CSCE document in Helsinki that called for the "early, orderly and complete withdrawal of such troops from the there are no practical difficulties, the Russians should fulfill their commitment. Failure to do so indicates the lack of political will to behave in an internationally acceptable manner.

The way the West has met Russia's demands, avoiding direct confrontation, is probably the best way to avoid fueling ultranationalist sentiments there. At the same time, the West should have a positive program to deal both with Russians and with East Europeans. The powerful of this world should show with their deeds that East European states, and the Baltic states in particular, have demonstrated their right to be a part of regular international life. In this regard, the visit of the U.S. president, Bill Clinton, to Riga is a welcome expression of support for

the Baltic states. The normal political climate that we all participate in creating would

provide the best background for the Baltic states to normalize their relations with the Russian Federation. At the moment, the barometer is on neutral. It depends largely on the actions of the G-7 countries whether it will raise to forecast good weather or drop to warn of a coming storm. IVAR TALLO.

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The South Needs a Voice

President François Mitterrand ("Let North and South Set a Global Contract," Opinion, July 2) correctly pinpoints the need to pay more attention to the North-South issues of global strategic, political and eco-nomic policy. His three-tier pro-gram of development aid, mutual respect and inventive arrangements makes sense, except that it sounds like many of the conceptual "visions" laid out during past summit meetings of the Group of Seven in-dustrial powers. Naples will be no exception. The outcome of such meetings always has been short on substantial follow-up action.

What Mr. Mitterrand seems to overlook is that the North has difficulties getting its own act together. and the South has no common

voice to articulate its aspirations. Could the new South Africa provide the unifying voice for the South.

matching that of the North (whether NATO, the European Union, et al) in terms of history, tradition, sophistication and multiracial commitment? KARL H. PAGAC.

His Story, for a Price

Regarding "Caned Teen Wants To 'Share' Story'' (June 23):

Michael Fay is quoted in this report as saying, "I want to share my story with the whole world."

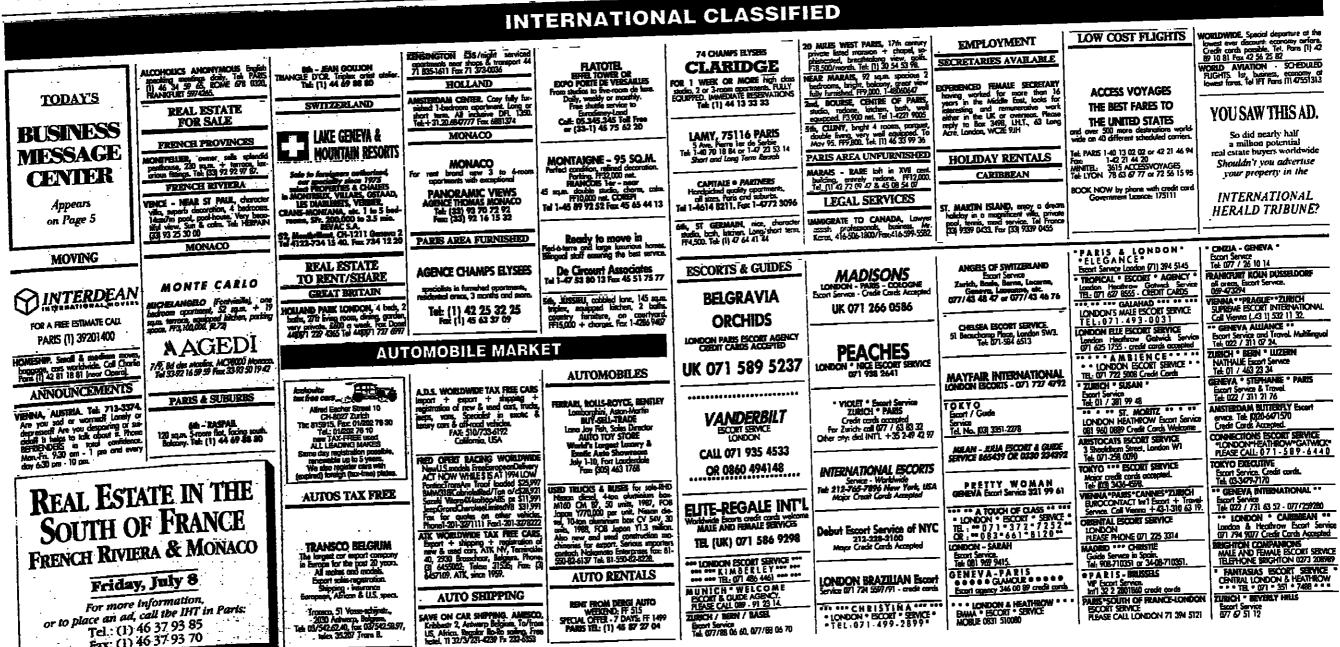
Mr. Fay told a prison officer, Thio Kok Sing, that he intended to sell his story to the film director who offered him the highest amount, and that he would deal directly with publishers and film producers upon his release from prison, as he felt old enough to make his own decisions.

Mr. Fay's mother asked him for power of attorney to act on his behalf. Mr. Fay signed it with a limitation in his own handwriting to exclude the power "to make any contracts or true agreements of making a movie or book, or anything of this nature. Also not to talk my behalf (sic) to publishers or producers."

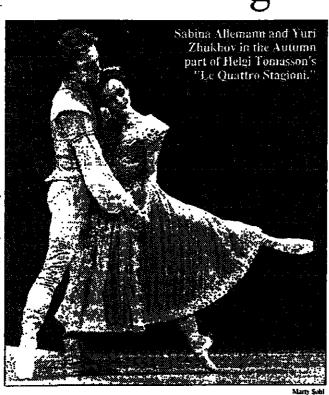
Mr. Fay's allegations of police torture and pretestations of innocence will generate publicity for his story and help him sell it at a higher price. S. B. BALACHANDRER.

Singapore. The writer is press secretary to Singapore's home affairs minister.

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By David Stevens national Herald Tribune

ARIS — The San Francisco Ballet, at the Palais Garnier through Sunday on a onestop trip to Europe, dates its existence from 1933, which makes it marginally the oldest American dance troupe in continuous

More to the point, to judge by the freshness of the first of its two programs here and the scope of its plans for the next year — including the sponsoring of a new international dance festival next May — it is a company bursting with health and ambition after a decade with Helgi Tomasson as artistic director and principal

The company's close links to the creations of George Balanchine — Tomasson was for 15 years a soloist with the New York City Ballet and his predecessor, Lew Christensen, was also a Balanchine dancer — was marked by the pres-ence of "Bugaku." In this 1963 work, Balanchine captured the atmosphere of stylized Japanese theater while staying within his own vocabulary. Muriel Maffre and Ashley Wheater (respectively products of the ballet schools of the Paris Opera and London Royal Opera) were the stylish principal couple, and David Hays's set design looked as coolly elegant as ever.

Tomasson's "Le Quattro Stagioni," set to ViSaturday afternoon.

valdi's evocation of the seasons, is a group of four bucolic divertissements, atmospheric pieces somewhat in the manner of Jerome Robbins's Chopin sets, and a useful addition to the company traveling kit in that it shows off the troupe's depth. Tina LeBlanc and Christopher Stowell made a particularly appealing and poised duo in Spring, and Anthony Randazzo was the vigorous soloist in Winter. Evelyn Cisneros in Summer and Sabina Allemann and Yuri Zhukov in Auturn were the other soloists.

Agnes de Mille's "Rodeo," and the score Agrand the score on Copland wrote for it, were instant hits in 1942 and they hardly seem to have lost any appeal in a half century, even if the charm is a bit corny and the shotgun marriage of square dance and ballet a bit dated. Joanna Berman was just right as the tomboy cowgirl who finally blossoms as a wom-an. Wendy Van Dyck was her willowy rival, and Randazzo and David Justin were the appropri-ately macho frontiersmen as the Head Wrangler and the Champion Roper.

The second program, also of three dances, offers "Maeistrom," a new choreography by Mark Morris; Tomasson's "Nanna's Lied," set mostly to a selection of songs by Brecht and Weill, and Balanchine's Gershwin ballet, "Who Cares?" It will be performed Thursday through Sunday evenings. Remaining performances of the first program are Wednesday evening and

Cage and Cunningham: The Final Chapter

By John Rockwell New York Times Service

composer John Cage died in 1992, one major project remained undone from his halfcentury of collaboration with the choreographer Merce Cunningham. Now that final stone in the arch of their work is in place, and it is beautiful to behold.

The piece is called "Ocean," and it had its first performances in Brussels in May before it was transferred to the Musiektheater here as part of the Holland Festival. Then it's on to São Paolo, Brazil, in August, with other performances under negotiation hither and yon, although not New York City, where the two men based their creative lives.

"Ocean" lasts 90 minutes precisely; the time is counted off silently and inexorably on red digital monitors surrounding the central performing space.
"Surround" is the operative word

here. Cunningham has worked in the round before, but in "Ocean," as he put it, "this is a further extension of that." He and Cage conceived the piece as the ultimate circuslike experience, circus being a thread that snaked through

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The piece had been planned for a Cage-Joyce festival in Zurich in 1991, but no suitable space could be found. Then Cunningham was entranced by the spectacularly quaint, 19th-century Cirque d'Hiver in Paris, but that arena proved hard to come by. Finally "Ocean" saw the light in the recently refurbished Cirque Royale in Brussels.

For Amsterdam, an in-the-round feeling had to be simulated within a conventional opera house. A round platform was built out over the orchestra pit, with seats on the stage as well as out front. The 112 musicians sat all around, as required. It wasn't quite a circus, but it filled the bill and sounded terrific.

The title comes because the mythologist Joseph Campbell once speculated that had Joyce lived to write something after "Finnegans Wake," it would have been about water and the ocean. But without Cage, Cunningham had doubts that the piece could be properly realized. He was persuaded by the enthusiasm of Benedicte Pesle, his longtime Paris agent, as well as Andrew Culver, Cage's

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many of their works: dancers on a round assistant from 1981, who convinced him quality to the underlying musical and stage at the center with the surrounding that the score could be created in a way choreographic abstraction. Culver's orthat Cage would have approved.

> Cage and Culver had discussed the piece, but all Culver had to work with were the basic ideas, including the number 19, chosen as an organizing principle because "Finnegans Wake" has 17 sec-tions and "Ulysses" 18. But Culver had something else: an immersion in Cage's way of working, his mysterious ability, shared by Cunningham, to randomize

Skinner, the costumes and lights) have created something that is both a summation and an innovation.

The summation is self-evident; as Cun-

thestral music has the calm of the deep about it. Tudor's electronic music is overtly graphic, full of watery gurgles and fishy swishes and grunts and the puttering of a ship's motor.

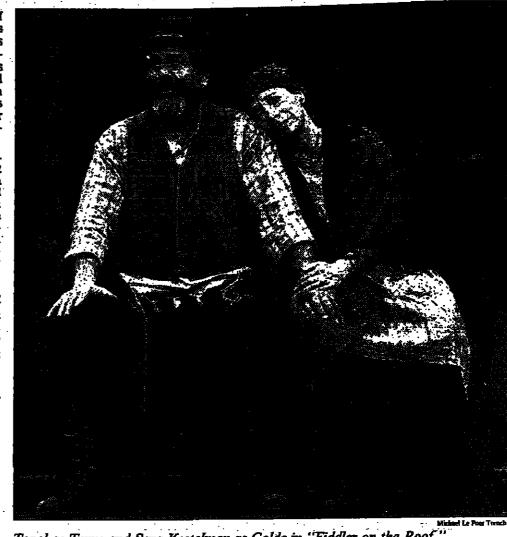
Skinner's skintight costumes, frequently changed, make the dancers look like denizens of the deep, as does the rippling blue-green lighting.

shared by Cumingham, to randomize key aesthetic choices with the I Ching and the computer, yet to retain a palpable sense of personal involvement.

UNNINGHAM (and Culver, David Tudor, who did the electronic score, and Marsha Skinner, the costumes and Skinner, the costumes and the choices with the I Ching at key moments by chance procedures, has a wonderfully aquatic and somehow deeply human quality. And the movements, mostly small groupings until just before the end, when all 15 dancers appear together, allude to human relations and even to emotions in ways rareful to a symptem tin Cumningham's work. ly so apparent in Cunningham's work.

Perhaps such associations have always been present; the beauty of choningham put it when asked if this could reographic abstraction is that the hutruly be called the final work in the man body forestalls any hint of Cage-Cunningham canon: "I suppose dehumanization. Yet here, with his so; there aren't going to be any more." willing young dancers and sympathetic Culver's music sounds agreeably Caproup of collaborators, Cunningham geian, with a sense of benediction as has created both an unusually beautiful well, full of organlike sustained notes. work of art and a fitting valedictory for What is new is an overtly pictorial John Cage.

LONDON THEATER



Topol as Tevye and Sara Kestelman as Golde in "Fiddler on the Roof."

Child's Puzzle, for Adults

By Sheridan Morley ernational Herald Tribane

ONDON --- David Mamet's "The Cryptogram" offers what its title promises, a series of puzzles, one of which is why the producers allowed themselves to be bullied by the Ambassadors Theatre into imposing a totally pointless and destructive interval (presumably in the interests of bar profits) 20 minutes into

a play that lasts barely another 60.

The next puzzle is whether or not "The Cryptogram" is autobiographical. An ingenuous program note suggests that the director, Greg Mosber, never bothered to ask, but since the central figure is a small boy in Chicago at about the time Mamet was, the odds would seem strong on memoir.

And that is about the best justification for the piece. It is neither a debate like "Oleanna" nor a dream like "Glengarry Glen Ross," but instead a dream like "Glengarry Glen Ross," but instead a memory piece not unlike Arthur Miller's "The Price." The boy has a mother (recently deserted by his father) and a gay neighbor. These three make up the entire company, and although there's a fatal lack of dramatic energy, what holds the attention is the way that everything is seen and heavy through the save and early of the heavy (Plengy). heard through the eyes and ears of the boy (Danny Worters or Richard Claxton). He alone still has a handle on the truth, still knows that things not clear now will become clear later if only his hold on the truth can be maintained. The two adults (Eddie Izzard and Lindsay Duncan) have lost that, and are left with the consequences of the lies

they have told to keep themselves going.
"The Cryptogram" is that simple, and that complex: Adults deal in bad faith, children will listen. There are haunting fragments here of a

For those of us who believe that "The Brown-

on the make have recently tried to justify laying their heavy thumbprints on modern classics. In-stead, just a beautifully cool, crystal-clear staging by Philip Franks.

Like all the best of Rattigan, "The Browning Version" is about unrequited love and the terrors of sexuality. Its central figure is "The Crock," Andrew Crocker-Harris, a failed schoolmaster who on the brink of forced retirement is given Browning's "Agametimon" translation (which forms the title) by a schoolboy hoping for a better grade.

Here, Clive Merrison wonderfully suggests a Mr. Chips who has been pickled in his own acid despair at the way his life, his career and his marriage have been internally destroyed. Diana Hardcastle is the killer wife, Tim Matthews the treacherous pupil and Christopher Godwin the lethal headmaster.

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Seen without its usual curtain-raiser, "Harle-Seen without its usual curtain-raiser, "Harie-quinade," this is a savage and brilliant 80 minutes. When "Finder on the Roof," opened in London in 1967, Topol, in his first turn as Tevye, was in his early 30s. Now, almost 30 years later, he's about the right age for the role he is again playing at the Palladium. He is still just wonderful, though the production around him has fallen about at the seams. Sara Kestelman is a powerful new Golde, but the rest of the cast and the sets look eerily reminiscent of d'Oyly Carte after about a hundred years of low-budget touring. By demanding that the production should look exactly as it did on Broadway 30 years ago, the "Fiddler" management has fiddled itself into

The recent rethinking in London of "Carousel" boyhood gone wrong. The dark at the top of the and on Broadway of "Damn Yankees" would stairs is where the boy comes from, and where he suggest that a change of choreographer every suggest that a change of choreographer every decade or so might not be a bad idea, at least if that choreographer (in this instance Jerome Rob-bins) is unavailable to get the show back on its feet ing Version" is among the dozen greatest plays bins) is unavailable to get the show back on its feet written in Britain in this century, the great news for every international staging. The result here is from Greenwich is that it is still by Terence of Topol center stage and the rest of the company Rattigan. No "concept" here, no attempt to backing away from him, daunted by his sheer make it "relevant" to the '90s by which directors expertise at every mance of the show.

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THANK YOU FOR SMOKING

BOOKS

By Christopher Buckley, 272 pages. \$22. Random House. \$22. Lehmann-Haupt

HOW often have you heard about flacks from the tobacco industry smoothly insisting that there's still no proven connection between smoking and disease, and asked yourself in outrage, "How can they live with themselves?"

Well, Christopher Buckley supplies some answers in his savagely funny new satirical farce, "Thank You for Smoking," a novel so timely that you have to wonder if Buckley has our own freedoms, but those of been orchestrating recent our children, and our children's events in tobacco-land. children." Buckley's fictional protago

nist is Nick Naylor, chief spokesman for the Washingtonbased Academy of Tobacco Studies. He lives blithely and his son's tuition.

kills 1,200 human beings a day. mont about to introduce legis-But, as he says to one audi-

ence of "health professionals," It's always been my closely Reviewed by Christopher held belief that with an issue as complex as ours, what we need is not more talking ABOUT each other, but more talking TO

> After all, the right to smoke is an issue of freedom, and "if we go tampering with the bedrock principles that our founding fathers laid down, many of whom, you'll recall, were themselves tobacco farmers, just for the sake of indulging a lot of frankly unscientific speculation, then we're placing at risk not only

When challenged to explain such stunning non sequiturs, Nick admits that he does his job because "it pays the mortgage"

lation requiring cigarette packages to be labeled with skulls and crossbones, Nick demands that "the same warning labels" be put "on those deadly chunks of solid, low-density lipoprotein that go by the name

of Vermont cheddar cheese."

And when challenged to come up with a new way of inspiring people to smoke, Nick dreams up the idea of getting movie actors to smoke again. He flies to Los Angeles and meets with Jeff Megall, who is not only "the driving force behind product placement" but also makes it sound "as though product placement was crucial to character development."

Buckley's mordant gags is a wacky plot built around Nick's abduction by anti-smoking terrorists who try to kill him by covering his body with nicotine - Times.

enough with the knowledge that be works for an industry that line" with a senator from Versuperior's attempts to turn Nick's plight against him

But what keeps you light-headed is Buckley's implicit commentary on American hucksterism and the pervasiveness in the culture of a product whose main effects are disease and death.

Superficially, "Thank You for Smoking" may seem even-hand-ed by indiculing both the tobacco industry and the so-called neo-Puritans and fascists who want smoking banned. But to read the two positions as balanced is to accept the tobacco lobby's out-

The true target of Buckley's Swiftian barbs is the attitude that perfect liberty constitutes the right to make a profit no What keeps you reading matter who pays for it, even at nickley's mordant gags is a the cost of life itself.

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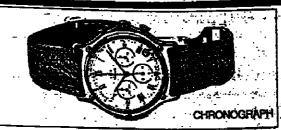
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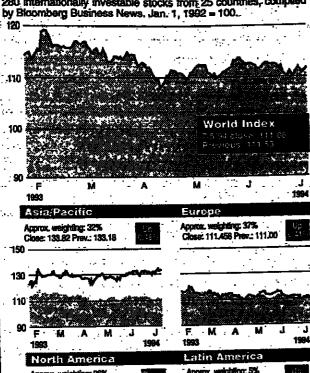
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Power-Plant Deal Put at \$4 Billion

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches BONN -- China signed preliminary agreements Tuesday with the German electrical engineering unit of the Swiss-Swedish engineering concern ABB Asea Brown Boveri Ltd., and industry analysts said the accord for five power stations could be worth \$4 billion.

The company said it expect-ed orders from China to reach \$1 billion this year.

Letters of intent to build power plants and upgrade existing ones, as well as to set up a ioint venture to make electric locomotives, were signed on the second day of a visit to Germany by a delegation led by Prime Minister Li Peng of China.

The German unit of ABB, which now faces tough negotiations with Beijing to turn letters of intent into firm orders, said the power projects involved electricity-generating capacity sufficient to supply more than 4 million people.

The announcement followed Germany's agreement on Mon-day to help China modernize its transport and telecommunications networks, which could eventually produce billions of dollars in orders for Western companies.

Meanwhile, the issue of human-rights abuses in China has played only a small role in Mr. Li's tour of Germany. Dispirited human-rights groups said Tuesday that billion-dollar contracts promising jobs for Germans had persuaded a recession-weary public not to care.

But Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel, who had vowed to address the rights issue "massively and clearly," handed Mr. Li a list of dissidents who he said was concerned about. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

Will the Fed Move Again? General Expectation Is: Not This Week dollar aggravates inflation, probably more

By Robert D. Hershey Jr. New York Tunes Service

WASHINGTON - Federal Reserve policymakers, who began an eagerly awaited meeting Tuesday afternoon, will probably decide after long and spirited debate that the economy is slowing enough so that no immediate raise in short-term interest rates is re-

This is the view --- not a consensus so much as a blend of opinion that masks sharp disagreement — that emerged from the comments of analysts on Wall Street and elsewhere in the private sector.

Such an outcome would mean denying the dollar -- which has been battered of late, particularly against the Japanese yen — the support of higher rates that would make it and American investments more attractive.

But defense of the dollar is not often a high

priority for the Federal Reserve, and the Clinton administration, which calls the shots on the dollar, so far has made no serious move to shore up the currency in advance of a meeting of the Group of Seven industrial countries in Naples at the end of the week. Still, as analysts anticipated the two-day

session of the Federal Open Market Committee that will plot monetary strategy for the next six weeks and set tentative targets for 1995, they said they would not be surprised by an increase later this month or at the next meeting of the committee on Aug. 16. Such a rise could come if the economy

continues to be thought likely to expand faster than is justified by its long-term potential. or should inflation - or the expectation of

The Fed could also be moved to act if the dollar plunges in an unarrested slide. A weak

than import volume suggests, analysts say. But for now, another force tending to keep the central bank on hold until Friday at least is that it is not until then that a key batch of economic statistics, the Labor Department's

monthly survey of jobs, unemployment, wages and hours, will be published. The unemployment rate -- in this instance, for June - is considered a backward-looking

Some Fed-watchers would not be surprised by a rate increase later in July or in August.

indicator, and the Federal Reserve is particularly interested these days in looking forward in order to head off inflation before it becomes evident.

But analysts will be watching intently to see whether the four-tenths of a point drop in May, to 6 percent, will be sustained.

The committee meetings that start Tuesday will also be the first in which Alan Blinder, the Princeton economics professor who has just been sworn in as vice chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, will participate.

Mr. Blinder has been serving on the president's Council of Economic Advisers, and analysts expect his influence, though probably not immediately visible, will tend toward

holding rates steady.
"I would say no," said Barry Rogstad, an economist who is president of the American Business Conference, of the prospect of a rate rise this week. "I'm just not seeing where there's inflation potential there."

Texaco to Sell 300 Oil Fields **And Cut Jobs**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
NEW YORK — Texaco Inc. said Tuesday it would sell half of its U.S. oil and natural gas fields and cut \$300 million in costs by eliminating 2,500 jobs, or 8 percent of its global work force, over the next year.

The remaining U.S. oil fields account for more than 90 percent of the company's profit and production.

A spokesman said he did not know how much money the company hoped to realize from trading or selling half of its more than 600 U.S. sites, adding that Texaco had not yet determined how many job cuts would be through layoffs, attrition or early retirements. Texaco has already eliminat-

ed 13 percent of its global work force in the past two years.

Texaco's move reflects a trend by U.S. oil companies tosales growth and new oil finds penses. are perceived as better.

A week ago, Los Angeles-based Unional Corp. said it was considering the sale of its California oil and natural gas producing properties so that it could better pursue foreign projects, especially in Asia.

Texaco is shifting its focus from aging domestic production sites toward more promising oil and gas ventures in the United States and abroad, including sites such as the North Sea and the Tarim Basin in Chi-

"We have arrested the decline in U.S. production, while increasing production by some 25,000 barrels per day interna-tionally," said Texaco chairman and chief executive Alfred C. DeCrane Jr., referring to crude oil output.

The company also said it is streamlining its refining and marketing operations in Europe and Latin America, and is receiving bids for the sale of its interest in refining and marketing operations in Nigeria and other African countries.

Texaco said it will report a \$165 million charge in the secward emphasizing foreign oper-ations, where opportunities for ty write-downs and other ex-

William Randol, an oil industry analyst at Salomon Brothers, said Texaco "is trying to show investors it can do more" regarding cost-cutting.
Texaco stock was up 87.5

cents at \$61 in afternoon trading. (AP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

China Sets Up Barriers to Protect Its Film Industry

By Kevin Murphy International Herald Tribune

HONG KONG - China will States over the protection of inclamp down on co-productions between domestic and foreign filmmakers and restrict foreign film imports to less than a third

Thesday.

The measures come as Beijing is pushing hard to join the General Agreement on Tariffs
General Agreement on Tariffs
Film and Television was now and develop the national movie

and while it tries to avoid a trade clash with the United

tellectual property.
A spokeswoman for the Mo-tion Picture Association of America said that China alof its burgeoning movie market, ready has a "shadowy, unwrit-an official newspaper reported ten system of quotas" for imported films, videos and

between local and international filmmakers to 30 each year.

The ministry, which has seen several Chinese-made films win international acclaim despite bans or limitations at home, hopes to surrender only 30 per-cent of the overall domestic film

and develop the national movie craft earlier this year for direct-

drafting rules that would limit industry," said Li Wenbin, a ing movies judged ideologically the number of co-productions ministry official, in the China too sensitive by the ruling Com-Daily report.

Beijing's battle to keep foreign programming out has intensified despite signs that many Chinese viewers are willing to break the law to watch Western programs by using un-authorized satellite reception

Seven leading Chinese filmmakers were banned from their

A co-winner of Cannes' Palme d'Or award, Chen Kaige's "Farewell My Concubine," has had only limited exposure in China, and then only after cuts by censors. Beijing is also seeking to bol-

ster its control over the final version of films that are co-pro-

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Keeping Track of Bigfoot

By Dan Stashower
New York Times Service

ONDON - Bigfoot has yet to grant an interview, but The Fortean Times, a British journal of eccentric phenomena, has been tracking his movements for more than 20 years. It has also have been taken the more than 20 years. been keeping tabs on the Abominable Snow-man, two-headed cows and flying cats.

But the magazine, published every two months, does not see itself as a supermarket tabloid, even if it is the only publication to offer its readers a free "alien defense kit," guaranteed to flash red at the approach of extraterrestrial beings.

With a cover price of \$4.95, The Fortean Times reports on what it calls paranormal happenings and scientific oddities wherever they might occur, from outer space to the murky depths of Loch Ness. But it also provides room for scientists and others to express their depths about the reports—and it never their doubts about the reports - and it never takes itself too seriously.

"We try to keep a sense of humor about all this," said Bob Rickard, its founder and editor. "We present the material without forcing our own agenda. We want to urge people to keep an open mind — but not, as the phrase goes, so open that your brain falls out."

From its start in 1973 as a small newsletter, the magazine now has a worldwide circulation of more than 30,000.

Like its American counterpart, The Info Journal, a publication of the International Fortean Organization, the magazine draws its inspiration from the work of a New Yorker paper of Charles Fort who spent a lifetime named Charles Fort, who spent a lifetime researching reports of vanishing tribes, flying

saucers and what he called "mysterious precipitations" from the sky.

Mr. Fort, who died in 1932, always wanted
the scientific world to take itself with a grain

"Every science is a mutilated octopus," he once wrote in a typically vivid style. "If its tentacles were not clipped to stumps, it would

feel its way into disturbing contacts."

To mark the 21st birthday of The Fortean
Times, Mr. Rickard and his colleagues were hosts for a recent two-day "Celebration of the Strange" at the University of London. The

event drew about 1,000 people. "It's something we've wanted to do for some time," Mr. Rickard said. "These people have never been gathered together in one

place before." The participants, many of whom call them-selves Forteans, swapped stories about pol-tergrists and the Bermuda Triangle. They also attended lectures on topics like alien abduction and spontaneous human combustion.

But skeptics were also given their say. "I'd have been disappointed if they brought in only the true believers and proponents," said Joe Nickell, an English professor who is also a member of the Committee for Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal. He cheerfully assumed the role of debunker in

the human combustion debate. Today, Mr. Rickard and his co-editor, Paul Sieveking, carry on Mr. Fort's work in the pages of their magazine, bringing wit and crudition to outlandish subject matter.

"Chinese Mouse Takes Revenge," reads one headline. "UFO Spotters Not Insane—Official." procedures mother Recent issue.

Official," proclaims another. Recent issues reported on flying goats and giant penguins.

Wellfleet To Join With **SynOptics**

SANTA CLARA, California Wellfleet Communications Inc. and SynOptics Communications Inc. said Tuesday they had agreed to merge in a stock swap valued at \$1.03 billion.

The merger would create one of the largest suppliers of computer network equipment, with combined revenue of more than

\$1 billion a year. Under terms of the deal, Syn-Optics shareholders will receive 0.725 shares of Wellfleet stock for every share they own. Also, each of the parties has granted the other an option to buy, in certain circumstances, a num-ber of shares of the other com-

pany's stock equal to 15 percent of its shares outstanding. Wellfleet, based in Billerica, Massachusetts, is a vendor of information networking products and related services.

In its 1993 financial year, Wellfleet had net income of \$27.8 million on revenue of \$180.1 million. In the first six months of its current year, revenue more than doubled to

\$160.1 million. SynOptics, based in Santa Clara, had net income of \$75.9 million in 1993 on revenue of \$704.5 million. (Kright-Ridder, Bloomberg)

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MARKET DIARY

Stocks Edge Higher **As Fed Jitters Loom**

edged higher Tuesday, but the any event not be known for sevmarket got off to a slow start eral weeks. after the Independence Day holiday Monday, especially amid concerns about the outcome of a Federal Reserve

Board policy-making meeting. The Dow Jones industrial average closed 5.83 points higher at 3,652.48.

Advancing and declining issues were roughly even, and

U.S. Stocks

volume on the Big Board totaled 193 million shares, down from 197.19 million on Friday. The bond market also chalked up mild gains on renewed buying that dealers at-tributed largely to technical fac-tors. The 30-year Treasury bond's yield slipped to 7.59 per-cent in late trading from 7.61

percent on Friday. Although there has been speculation that the Federal Open Market Committee might lean toward raising interest rates again to keep inflation at bay and prop up the dollar, many analysts expect the panel to maintain a steady policy course for the immediate fu-

NEW YORK - Share prices which began Tuesday, may in

Traders noted that the investors were also wary of new com-mitments because key labor statistics due on Friday may rekindle inflation fears.

Texaco, rebounding from a 52-week low set Friday, closed up % at 60% on plans for a restructuring that will cut 2,500

Other oil shares were also given a boost. Mobil gained 1% to 82%, Chevron added ½ to 42%, and Royal Dutch Petroleum jumped 21/2 to 1071/4.

Boeing climbed % to 471/4 after it said it delivered 67 commercial jet transports in the second quarter. Caterpillar rose 1% to 101%, but dealers cautioned that the

share remained volatile as the company battled with the effects of a strike. Parallan Computer fell 1% 10

4% after the company said it faced losses for the rest of the year because it would no longer et guaranteed revenue from International Business Machines. (AP, Bloomberg, Reu-

Dollar Down Slightly As Fed Opens Meeting

NEW YORK — The dollar and German participants playwas slightly lower against other ing down any attempt to major currencies in light, quiet strengthen the dollar at this trading as market awaited news weekend's Group of Seven

Foreign Exchange

from the Federal Open Market Committee, which began its two-day meeting Tuesday.

Traders said there was no clear-cut market sentiment regarding the decision the policysetting arm of the Federal Reserve Board would take at the meeting — to leave the federal funds rate unchanged at 4.25 percent or raise it by 25 or by 50 basis points in response to a healthy economy and a slump-

ing dollar. This uncertainty was keeping key players on the sidelines, with one large seller of dollars for marks depressing the U.S. currency against the European currencies early in the session.

The growing expectation that even if the Fed opts to tighten short-term rates for the fifth time this year it will limit any increase to 25 basis points.

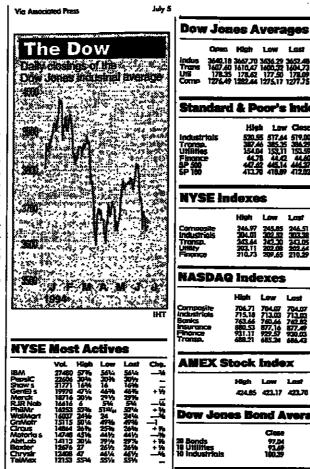
Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches This, combined with Japanese meeting in Naples, Italy, could see the dollar fall to around 1.56 Deutsche marks toward the end

> G-7, analysts said. But some analysts said the markets' true reaction to the outcome of the Fed meeting would not be evident until the release of the U.S. June nonfarm payrolls number on Friday. They said the Fed decision would be judged against the strength of the employment report and its inflationary impli-

of the week or shortly after the

The dollar was at 1.5803 DM in late New York trading, down from 1.5966 DM Friday; at 98.925 yen, up from 98.650; at 1.3260 Swiss francs, down from 1.3396; and at 5.4175 French francs, down from 5.4670. The pound rose to \$1.5437 from 1.5385. New York markets were closed Monday for the Independence Day holiday.

(Reuters, AFX)



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"The script will be the prime concern in the screening of films," the report said.

fect the sale of foreign programming to China's fast-expanding domestic cable television mar-

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ioint venture partners, the execand directors were likely to provide international production contract fee basis.

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Crackdown on Copyright

China's legislature on Tuesday approved prison terms and stiffer fines for copyright violators, answering a key U.S. demand five days after Washington threatened sanctions. according to an Associated Press dispatch from Beijing.

San Diego Utility to Take Charge NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) — San Diego Gas & Electric Co. said Tuesday it would take a one-time charges totaling about \$80 million in the second quarter for a series of write-downs related to

the utility and its subsidiaries. The write-down will not affect the company's current dividend.

Wahleo Environmental Systems Inc., which is 80 percent owned by San Diego Gas & Electric, will incur a one-time charge of about \$56 million in the second quarter and the company expects to report a loss from operations. The charge consists primarily of a \$50 million write-down of goodwill.

Baby Bells Aim for Long Distance

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — Four of the regional Bell operating companies plan to seek a total exemption from the 1982 consent decree that broke up AT&T Corp. in a push to gain access to the incrative long-distance markets.

The move, which may come as soon as Wednesday, could give the four Baby Bells — Bell Atlantic Corp., Bell South Corp., Nynex Corp. and Southwestern Bell Corp. — access to the same markets as AT&T or MCI Communications Inc.

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The Bells contend that emerging markets and heightened competition have rendered the consent decree useless. The filing by the companies would be an attempt to wipe away the final restrictions in the consent decree, which have been eroded during the past two decades.

Primadonna Leaves Casino Project

LAS VEGAS (Bloomberg) — Primadonna Resorts Inc. said Tuesday it had pulled out of a proposed \$130 million casino project with Lone Star Casino Corp. on the Mississippi Gulf Coast to focus on other areas.

Houston-based Lone Star, meanwhile, said it had an agreement with another, unmamed gaming company to take Primadonna's place as a joint venture partner in the Pine Hills project in Bay St.

Louis, Mississippi.
"We are pleased to have a strong financial partner experienced in gaming for the development of our prospective sites," said Lone Star president Roger Cope, who said the unnamed company also is interested in Lone Star sites in Alabama and South Carolina.

CBOT Delays New System's Debut

CHICAGO (Renters) — The Chicago Board of Trade said Tuesday it was delaying the start date of an electronic, offexchange trading system to allow time for an outside accounting firm to review the system.

The exchange's chairman, Patrick Arbor, said the first phase of trading on the system was now set to begin Sept. 1, pending Commodity Futures Trading Commission approval.

For the Record

National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. said it would extend by 10 minutes the deadline used by mutual fund companies to report their net asset values to the public, effective July 11.

Boeing Co. said it delivered 67 commercial jet transport aircraft to customers in the second quarter of 1994 to June 30, bringing the total for the year to date to 149. Blockbuster Entertainment Corp. on Tuesday said it would open 100 new stores and convert others this year as it expands its

music retailing business. (Knight-Ridder) Enzo Biochem Inc. said scientists at its Enzo Diagnostics Inc. unit have developed a DNA-based test that "vastly improves" on tests for identifying the hepatitis B virus, which is transmitted through blood transfusion. (Bloomberg)

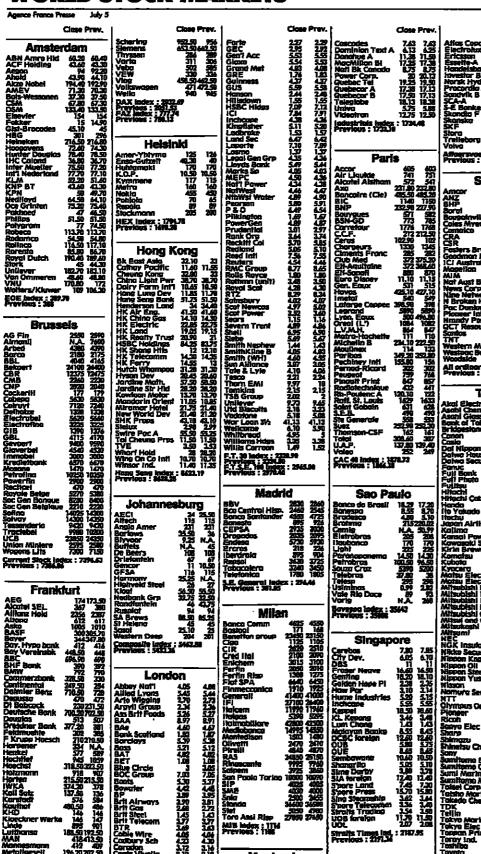
Weekend Box Office

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES .- "The Lion King" dominated the U. S. box office again with a gross of \$34 million over the weekend. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket . sales and estimated sales for Saturday and Sunday.

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Alcatel Chief Denies Charges Of Corruption

Campiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS - The chairman of political influence to raise mon-Alcatel-Alsthom SA, France's largest private corporation, on Tuesday scoffed at corruption charges filed against him and received support from the minister of industry and trade.

Pierre Suard, chairman of the energy, transport and telecommunications company, described as "banal" the allegations that he misused company funds to install security systems

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ruption. He was released on bail of 1 million French francs (\$183,000) after 12 hours of

He is so far the most senior French businessman to be part of a series of investigations into alleged irregularities.

The charges against Mr.

Suard were an offshoot of an investigation into charges that Alcatel allegedly overcharged the state-owned phone company France Telecom.

Industry Minister Gerard 572 francs. Longuet, who is also being in-

vestigated for allegedly using ey for private use, told French radio he was concerned about the damage done to the reputation of a major exporting company when its chairman was put

under investigation. Mr. Suard "is one of France's great bosses," Mr. Longuet said. "Thanks to him, we are at the top level worldwide in the energy, telecommunications

and rail sectors." at two private residences.

Mr. Suard, 59, is a close political ally of the ruling Rally for charged late Monday with the Republic party and was fraud, embezzlement and coronce the boss of Prime Minister Edouard Balladur.

Mr. Suard said Tuesday at a news conference that he had asked the French stock market regulator to investigate how news of his arrest had been spread to the financial markets.

Reports of Mr. Spard's interrogation by police sent the price of shares in Alcatel, France's second-largest publicly traded company, plunging 8 percent Monday to 541 francs. The shares rebounded Tuesday to

(AP, Reuters, Bloomberg)

Spanish Central Banker To Be Fined Over Trades

MADRID — A former Bank of Spain director is to be fined for trading on inside information just before the central bank intervened in December at Banco Español de Crédito, known as Banesto, a central bank spokesman said Tuesday.

The spokesman said the disclosure had come just before Luis Angel Rojo, governor of the Bank of Spain, was to be formally nominated for a new six-year term this week. "This could not have come at a worse

While authorities of the National Securities Market Commission issued no statement, sources close to the commission

NYSE

Tables include the nationwide prices us the closing on Wall Street and do not re to trades elsewhere. Via The Associated

said a fine of 15 million pesetas (\$114,000) had been proposed.

The former director, Tomas Ramon Fernandez, sold 2,300 Banesto shares on Dec. 27, one day before the intervention and suspension of the shares, avoiding a loss of about 3 million setas. He resigned in January, and trading was not resumed in the shares until the end of that

Mr. Fernández, a lawyer and professor, said he would appeal the decision.

"I have made my case, and as the outcome will in any case be a sanction, I plan to lodge an administrative appeal in the courts," he said on Spanish

Independence Has a Cost Palestine Now Faces Economic Battle

By David Hoffman Washington Post Service

GAZA -Off a sandy alleyway, through an open door, industrial sewing machines buzz sharply. White cotton cloth stands in heaps on the floor, and sparkling purple and white dresses hang up for display against the drab breeze block walls.

Ibrahim Shinawi's workshop is a short drive from the Palestine Hotel on the seacoast, where Yasser Arafat has been holding court. But it is in a part of the Gaza Strip that the Palestine Liberation Organization leader did not see in his triumphant return to this part of what some call Palestine.

Mr. Shinawi's sewing workshop, one of hundreds of similar little enterprises scattered through this city, is part of the economic backbone of the Gaza over which Mr. Arafat is assuming control. The shop's problems help illustrate why the political independence from Israel that Mr. Arafat has won cannot be easily translated into economic independence, which is his latest rallying cry.

Mr. Arafat has bristled at attempts by international donors to oversee the spending of aid given to the Palestinian authority that is beginning to govern Gaza and the Jericho region in the West Bank - and he paints a brave picture of a spartan, self-sufficient economy as the alternative to "blackmail" by

In evocative metaphors, Mr. Arafat told Palestinians this week that the "children of the stones" who fought the Israeli military occupation can now turn their "strong arms" to building a self-reliant Palestine. "No one can starve us!" he declared on a recent morning to a group of Gaza village leaders. "In this country

there are tough people, tough people."

But the economic reality visible in Mr. Shinawi's shop contrasts with the picture of self-reliance that Mr. Arafat offers. While the Israeli military occupation of Gaza is over, the economic ties that bind the Palestinians to Israel remain as tight as ever.

The truth is that Gaza - for now, the largest piece of Mr. Arafat's new regime has little to offer the rest of the world. Its economic backbone is its laborers, tens of thousands of whom are willing to work long hours for low pay.

Before Israeli-Palestinian violence and

public opinion forced Israel's government to tighten border controls, more than 120,000 Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza worked in Israel each day. Recently the number has been rising, and as of this week more than 46,000 Palestinians were commuting to jobs in Israel - 19,000 of them from Gaza.

But the bonds between Gaza and Israel are even deeper. According to Gaza's Union of Industrialists, the 535 garment shops such as Mr. Shinawi's and 56 textile factories represent about a third of Gaza's economy. More than 80 percent of them are subcontractors for Israeli firms. Fewer than I percent sell to

Enrope or the Arab world, according to a survey by the industrialists.

Gaza's dependence on Israel grew over the 27 years of Israeli military rule. Israelis justified it as a way to provide jobs for the Palestinians. Critics charged that Israel used the people of the occupied territories as cheap labor - especially in the workshops based here, beyond the reach of Israel's Socialistinspired labor laws.

Most of the garment workers in Gaza earn half of Israel's \$2.60-an-hour minimum wage or less and get none of the generous benefits guaranteed to workers in Israel.

The sewing shops of Gaza can be found scattered behind tall metal doors in residential neighborhoods where local women -

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who represent the majority of employees can easily reach them from their homes nearby. About three-quarters of the shops employ

fewer than 10 workers. Shop owners bring fabric from Israel and employ the women to cut and assemble it into jeans, blouses and T-shirts that usually are

then sent out for sale in Israel. "The businesses and work in the factories in Gaza depends on the size of the labor force in Israel," said Mr. Shinawi. "Our country doesn't have oil, or precious metals. We don't have any exports. That was one of the effects of the occupation." The Arab boycott against Israel was also applied to Palestinian goods made in the occupied territories.

Mr. Shinawi has five women at work and 13 more outside trying to sell his products in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel, especially in Arab towns. He has been in the garment business for 20 years but recently has found it difficult to get across the border to Tel Aviv to buy raw materials. The border restrictions, by cutting many Gazans off from their jobs in Israel, have hurt Mr. Shinawi's sales at home.

Other problems have hurt business in recent years, Mr. Shinawi said. He used to make white wedding gowns until the intifada, the Palestinian uprising against the Israeli occupation, began in 1987, prompting people to eschew lavish celebrations.

Despite his - and Gaza's - economic problems, Mr. Shinawi said that if Mr. Arafat had stopped by his shop, he would not have been critical of the Palestinian leader.

"We know he is not coming with a magic wand or a mountain of gold," he said, sipping cold cola on a blistering hot afternoon. "Abu Ammar did his best," he added, using Ara-fat's nom de guerre. "He lifted the occupation

Thomson To Crédit Lyonnais

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS - Thomson-CSF, a concern, said Tuesday it had a loss of 2.3 billion francs (\$425 million) in 1993.

had an operating profit of I billion francs last year. The poor bottom-line results, analysts said, were attributable to the company's 21.6 percent stake in the French bank Credit Lyonnais, which in March reported a loss of 6.9 billion

loans were estimated at 14.4 bilguarantee 12.6 billion francs, and Thomson-CSF took on 1.8

billion francs.

The difficulty in assessing the 1993 loss forced Thomson CSF to postpone its annual shareholder meeting beyond the legal deadline of June 30.

Its parent company, Thomson SA, was expected to nominate Alain Gomez as chairman of both companies at a board meeting that was being held late Tuesday, posts he has held since (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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state-owned defense electronics

The company, a subsidiary of the electronics group Thomson SA, had a profit of 1.52 billion francs in 1992.

On its own, Thomson-CSF

Crédit Lyonnais later won a government pledge of 3.5 bil-lion francs of new capital, and the Thomson group agreed to chip in a further 1.2 billion

The bank also decided to put 43 billion francs of loans that had gone bad in the real-estate

markets caused the company to postpone a capital increase. market into a shell company. • West European car sales in June jumped more than 10 percent Potential losses on those for the second straight month, according to an estimate by French auto maker Renault SA, fueling analyst expectations that Eulion francs. Of that total, the rope's economy will return to growth this year. French government agreed to • The Italian government will announce broad outlines of its three-

Remi Thomas, an aerospace • A Dresdner Bank AG subsidiary has purchased the Frankfurt and defense analyst at the brooffice building that will house the European Monetary Institute. kerage Cholet Dupont in Paris, • Fisons PLC, the British pharmaceuticals and scientific equipsaid, "The assets involved were among the most rotten, so more £25.3 million (\$38 million) to a consortium. than likely, the company will not be able to write back any of the money from the 1.8 billionfranc provision.

Mr. Thomas added, however, that if Crédit Lyonnais is not sold to the public by December 31, 1998, Thomson-CSF will have the right to restore the 1.8 billion francs provision to its balance sheet.

Sweden's Deficit to Grow national product. STOCKHOLM - Finance

Minister Anne Wibble said Tuesday the government expected its deficit to increase by 10 billion kronor (\$1.3 billion), to 160 billion, in fiscal 1995 because of rising interest rates.

The previous forecast put the deficit at 150.7 billion kronor for the year that began Friday.

Mrs. Wibble also said rising rates would reduce 1995 gross domestic product growth by 0.5 to 1.0 percentage points. Previously, the government estimat-

The new deficit estimate is

about 10 percent of the gross

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Swedish markets fell Tuesday on doubts about the success of the government's 6.5 billion Swedish kronor bond auction Monday.

Swedish markets have been weak since Skandia Forsakring AB, Sweden's largest insurance company, announced last week it had stopped buying government bonds until it was convinced the government was trying to control the deficit.

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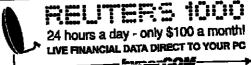
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invest 40 billion yen (\$405 million) on a second plant to produce thin-film transistor liquid crystal display panels, known as TFT-LCD, which are widely used for color screens in the latest generation of notebook

Fujitsu Ltd., Japan's leading computer maker, announced separate plans to invest 80 bil-

: Nippon Mortgage Owes \$4.8 Billion At Its Liquidation

TOKYO — Nippon Mort-gage Co., with debts totaling 473.4 billion yen (\$4.8 billion), has decided to go into liquidation, a spokesman for its top creditor, Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., said Tuesday. It is the third-largest debt left

by a Japanese concern since World War II. Sumitomo Trust accepted the is equally owned by Toshiba liquidation plan Monday, the and IBM, plans to start build-spokesman said, adding that ing the plant in Yasu, near Kyo-Nippon Mortgage hoped to seek court clearance by autumn to wind up its affairs. Nippon year. Mortgage, set up in 1982 by Pro Mortgage, set up in 1982 by Production capacity is even-sumitomo Trust and two other mally expected to reach 200,000 real estate concerns, has been units, twice the level at Himeji, going through a restructuring

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And in another move to escape the the strong yen, Matsushita Electric Works Ltd. said it was planning to set up a \$13 million subsidiary in Thailand to make synthetic resin for

Semiconductor packages.
Toshiba and IBM Japan, a unit of International Business Machines Corp., said their four-year-old LCD venture, Display Technologies Inc., aimed to triple production ca-pacity from the current 100,000 units a month at a plant in Himeji near Kobe.

"Demand for TFT-LCD is expected to enjoy rapid growth," Display Technologies' president, Toru Shima, said, noting that worldwide demand was projected to grow from 400 billion yen this year to 500 billion yen next year.

"The main market is portable computers, where the slim size, light weight and excellent image quality of TFT-LCDs are earning them increasing market share," he said.

Display Technologies, which to, this month and hopes to launch production early next

which started operating two years ago and recently reached full capacity because of souring

Fujitsu officials said the company had allocated 50 billion yen to expand production at its financial concerns, the spokes- iwate plant in northern Japan man said. Sumitomo Trust & over the next two and a half Banking is the company's largers and 30 billion yen to upest creditor, with loans outgrade its Wakamatsu plant in standing of 120.1 billion yen.

Taiwan's Investors 'Going South' Once-Strong Flow of Money Into China Has Slowed

By Edward A. Gargan New York Times Service

TAIPE: - After pouring pillions of dollars into China in recent years, Taiwan's investors are slowing their activity there and are looking elsewhere at countries in Southeast Asia.

The slump in investment from Taiwan has accompamed a steep slowdown in general foreign investment in China Last week, China Daily, an English-language news-paper in Beijing, reported that contracts for foreign investnent in the first five months of 1994 fell 45 percent from a year earlier, to \$32.7 billion.

Taiwan's attitudes toward China have fluctuated wildly in the last decade, from virulent anti-Communist isolationism to wary and tentative contacts with the mainland to flush of cathusiasm by small and medium-sized businesses in Taiwan.

But the mixed economic performance of many investments in China, Beijing's lack of legal protections and the slaughter in March of a boatload of tourists from Taiwan in eastern China — for which China later executed three men - have soured many Taiwan business people on the nation that lays laim to their island.

"Mainland investment fever is finished," said Chiu Chen, a lawyer in Taiwan who advises investors on business in China, Many of her clients, she said, are now spreading through Southeast Asia. "All the provinces are reporting sharp drops in investment," she said. "Me personally, I would never put a

Although data are unclear, Taiwan seems to have become the largest foreign investor in Victnam. Its investors have also been drawn to Indonesia and the Philippines, a foreign trade official said, following a "go south" policy that the Taiwan government started this

"Whenever Deng dies is overhanging people's think-ing," said the official, alluding to the fragile health of China's

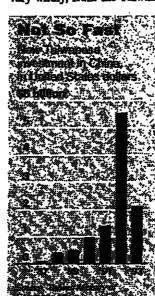
89-year-old leader, Deng Xiaoping. They think it will have an effect on the economy in China and on their business. But by and large, the risks they face are commercial risks, not political risks."

The rapid growth of Taiwan's economy, the increasing cost of labor and a shift away from labor-intensive manufacturing to high-technology and service industries have made China attractive to many Taiwan manufacturers.

Traditionally, Taiwanese businessmen have not been very international," said T.C. Lee, a banker at Citibank in Taipei. "But in the last two years, the tension between the two sides, between Taiwan and China, has been loosening. And that's why a lot of sinessmen have started to make business in China.

"Here, there are lots of labor-intensive industries garments, shoes, toys. All of them started to look outside to invest. They started to relocate initially to Thailand, Indonesia, Malaysia and, in the last two years, to China, to enjoy cheap labor, cheap land, cheap living costs."

Estimates of the size of Taiwan's investments in China vary wildly, from the Taiwan



economists' estimates that range from \$15 billion to \$20 billion. The discrepancy arises partly because Taiwan businesses must use foreign subsidiaries or shell companies. as the government does not permit its citizens to invest directly in mainland China. Yet Taiwan's Ministry of

government's figure of about \$9 billion to independent

Economic Affairs recently released figures suggesting that Taiwan business investment in China fell more than 60 percent last year, from slightly more than \$5.5 billion in 1992 to just \$2.1 billion.

'A Taiwanese businessman who walks around China feels very comfortable," said Diane Ying, publisher of Commonwealth, Taiwan's leading business monthly. "But the degree of freedom, property rights,

privacy — that's not there."

Michael M.C. Lin, president of Hiclin International Co., a group of companies in Taiwan that make furniture, mirrors and glass and run a printing business, built a fur-niture factory in Guangdong Province in China three years ago. Despite making money. he remains wary of prospects

on the mainland. Labor costs were the most important thing for us," Mr. Lin said. "Of course, China has lot of problems, political problems, transport problems, a crazy bank system. But every country has problems, of course. So we built near Hong Kong so we can take advantage of its ports, its banks. So

we are making money."
Still, Mr. Lin said, he would never bet his company on China. "I think there should be a balance," he said, "so that not everything is in China,"

Late last month, as Mr. Lin and some fellow China investors sat in the office of a small trade organization they had created to help other businesses invest on the mainland, the talk was of the massacre on March 31 of 24 tourists from Taiwan who were boating on Qiandao Lake in the Chinese coastal province of Zhejiang. While the Chinese government insists that the three young men who were executed had committed the murders, many people say a renegade band of Chinese soldiers was responsible. For businessmen and peo-

ple in Taiwan," Mr. Lin said, Qiandao Lake has made them see clearly what is China. Most Taiwanese know what the reality is there. They can change their policies very quickly there. It's not a lawful society."

The perception that China lacks a credible legal system is at the root of much of the concern, said Wu Rong-i. president of the Taiwan Institute of Economic Research, a private consulting and research organization.

"Chinese investment is like speculation," Mr. Wu said. You don't have legal protections. In China, it's easy for provincial officials to have different interpretations of the law. It's quite natural for the Chinese to squeeze the Taiwan investor. Taiwan investors now think that China is not such a good place to invest. In some cases, you can have a very big profit, but in other cases, very small."

Mr. Wu also argued that too great a concentration of investment in China, as opposed to diversification across Asia, would create economic and political difficulties.

"If our market depends too much on China, that is not healthy," he said. "After Deng Xiaoping dies, there are many economic scenarios about what could happen there."

"There's a hot debate now" in Taiwan, he added. "Some people say, 'How can you ignore such a big market?" Other people say, 'No, China will use business to influence policy here.' So we are trying to diversify our investments and

So far, Taiwan's large business groups have resisted the lure of China. But there are now signs that the sharp dip in investment by small and medium-sized businesses may be followed by a surge in investment by large Taiwanese com-

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Yeo Hian Seng Ltd.'s shareholders decided to retain Alan Yeo as chairman and managing director of the beverage maker, ending a family squabble about who would head the company.

Canon inc. raised its pretax profit forecast for the current' financial year to 48 billion yen (\$487 million) from 40 billion yen because sales have been stronger than expected.

• Radio Television Malaysia is negotiating to renew its contract with Cable News Network after a dispute with the BBC over Malaysian government censorship of foreign news bulletins.

China's 1993 budget deficit stood at 19.92 billion yuan (\$2 billion), below the projected 20.5 billion yuan, because of in-

Singapore's nonoil exports jumped 31 percent in May from May 1993, helped by a booming electronics industry, which could result in an overall growth rate exceeding the government target of between 6 percent and 8 percent.

New Zealand's gross domestic product rose 1.5 percent in the first quarter from the fourth quarter and 5.3 percent from the first

• Vietnam has obtained a grant and loan package from Switzerland valued at 25 million Swiss francs (\$19 million); half the package is a loan tied to Swiss procurements, and half is a grant. • Gia Dinh Textile & Garment Factory in Vietnam was hit with a wildcat strike Tuesday as workers protested "abusive and indecent" behavior by South Korean managers.

 Renong Berhad, the Malaysian financial company, and the stateowned Bank Rakyat Indonesia are setting up a \$100 million venture capital company to promote medium-sized companies in

Shanghai Investors Learn Booms Don't Last Forever

SHANGHAI — At one of Shanghai's most exotic brokerages — a converted Russian Orthodox church - small investors who dived into the bull market of 1992 and 1993 are struggling to

"The water's up to here," said one disgrantled investor, holding one hand just below his nose.

They are ready to blame anybody, from securities authorities to the media, for a 17-month decline that has seen the average price of so-called

 A shares — sold to domestic investors — collapse 73 percent from their high in February 1993. "They are all workers here," one market player said, gesturing toward the shabbily dressed crowd at the back of the church. "They don't

have that much money. Most of Shanghai's high-rollers, with their have already abandoned the crumbling market, deplore as "speculation and profiteering."

often with the help of timely inside information. Less well-connected investors have been able to do little but watch their investments evaporate. The bear run has swept away the life savings of many families.

In brokerages all over Shanghai, where eager speculators once elbowed their way to the buying counters, only a smattering of small-time players now watches prices flicker on the quotation screens. Many are unemployed or retired people.

At a branch of Shenyin Securities Co., at least one investor was not too concerned about the shamp. A laid-off factory worker in his early 40s, who gave his name only as Zhu, he can afford to

sit out the bear market calmly. Mr. Zhu said he got out of shares just in time and claims to have made money — a rare claim in recent months. Now he trades for the short portable telephones and gold Rolex watches, term, he said, a strategy that market regulators

"Shanghai is a speculative market, like Taiwan," Mr. Zhu said. "Long-term investors have

In his view, most investors bought too recklessly when the bull market seemed destined to last forever. "They thought that, if the market rises, it is going to keep rising," he said. "That will not do. When it goes up, I run."

Like many, Mr. Zhu blames an excess of new offerings that he says overwhelmed the exchange. There ought to be new issues, but the speed now is too great," he grumbled.

Many investors are also angry at the city's media, especially a popular financial program on Shanghai People's Broadcasting Station, for raising false hopes during the boom when it offered hot investment tips.

At the former Russian Orthodox Mission church, now occupied by Shanghai Trust & In- to start buying again.

vestment Co., a 69-year-old retiree who has los more than 10,000 yuan (\$1,150) says he is mystified by the bear market.

"The international situation is good, the domestic situation is good, but the market is no good," he said, gazing at the big board above the former church altar. "I don't understand it."

With the A share index hitting a 19-month low of 442.47 points on Monday, there was even more confusion about the market's future.

One young man, who said the index might dive to 250 points before reviving, was debating with another investor, who argued that the shares are already undervalued.

"This is a good time to invest," insisted the second man, whose paper value of his holdings has plummeted from 100,000 yuan to 20,000 yuan. But with most investors still reeling from the effects of the slide, few have the funds or the nerve

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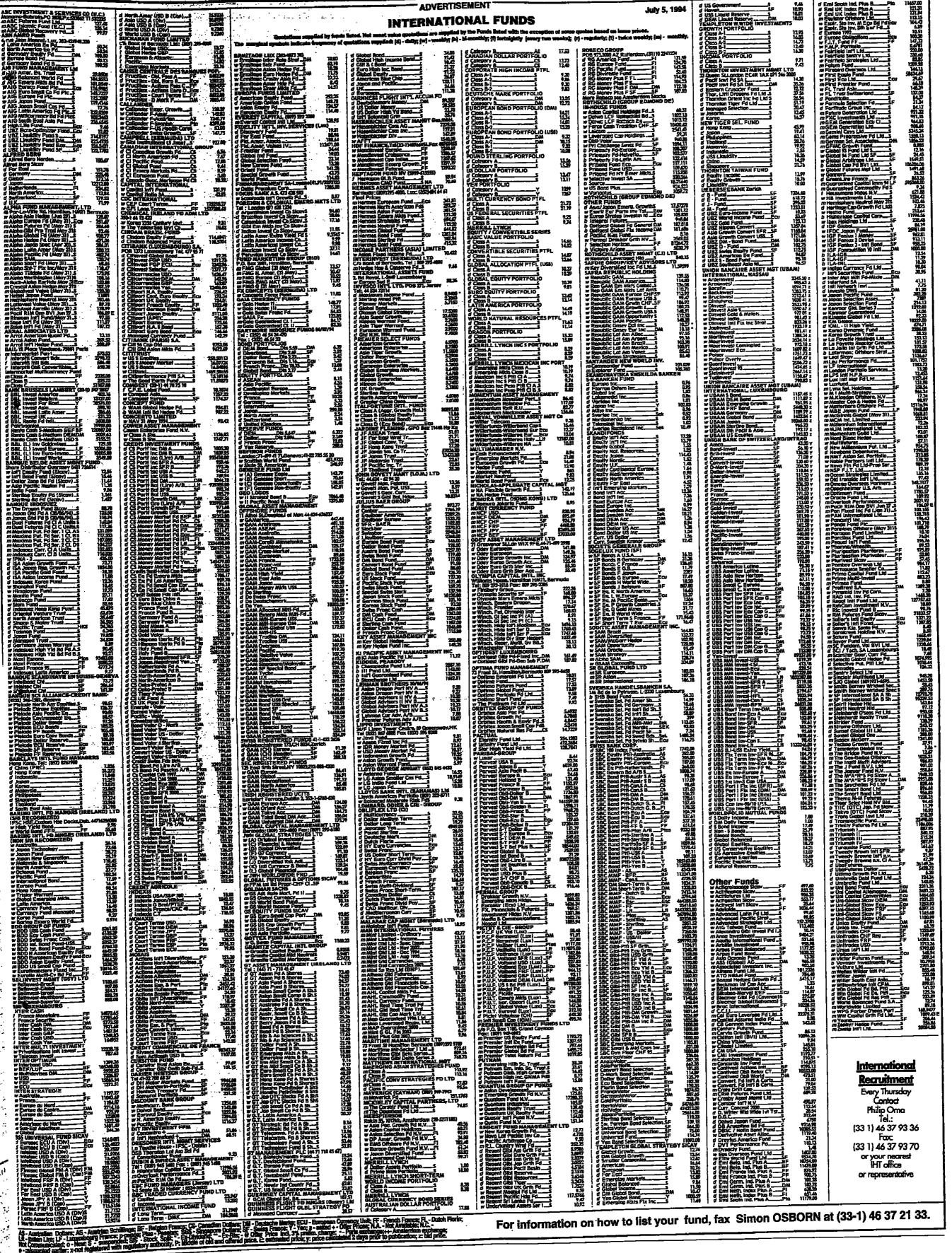
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Museeuw Takes Lead in Tour

By Samuel Abt

ional Herald Tribune CALAIS, France - The dream ended for Chris Boardman here Tuesday afternoon and he did not wear the yellow jersey of the Tour de France's leader when the bicycle race traveled hours later to his native England.

He rode heroically at the front of his Gan team, powering it along for kilometer after kilometer of a 66.5-kilometer (41.3mile) windswept and hilly course in a team time trial. In the end, though, his teammates were simply not up to his pace.
"I'm disappointed but that's

racing," the even-tempered Boardman said. "We did our

He did not seem despondent to have lost the jersey and the distinction of being the first Englishman to wear it on British soil since the Tour began in

Gan finished 8th among the 21 Tour teams, in 1 hour, 21 minutes, 48 seconds.

Far, far faster as team time trials are measured was the speed of the GB-MG team from Italy, which finished first in the long circuit from Calais to the nearby Eurotunnel under the

English Channel.
GB-MG, which also won last year's team time trial, was clocked in 1:20.31. That made Johan Museeuw — a name that will not trip lightly from British tongues — the man in yellow.

A 28-year-old Belgian and a top rider in one-day classics but not a man of the Tour's mountains, Museeuw trailed Boardman by 23 seconds at the start of the race against the clock.

The lead was established by Boardman, 25, in the Tour's prologue on Saturday, which he won easily, with Museeuw seventh. Boardman kept the yellow jersey on his shoulders through the two daily stages after the prologue and he had those three jerseys in his luggage when the train carried the first large group of passengers through the Chunnel, as it is known, since it

opened in May. Museeuw wore his jersey aboard as the Tour set sail for England - set throttle, at least.

He now leads the 81st edition of the Tour by 10 seconds over Miguel Indurain, the winner of the last three Tours and a rider who is looking better every day. The Spaniard also picked up 34 seconds on his major rival, Tony Rominger, the Swiss rider whose Mapei-Clas team came in fifth Tuesday.

Indurain's Banesto team finished a surprising third, 18 seconds behind GB-MG. Sandwiched between them was Motorola, which came in six seconds down.

That fine result vaulted Lance Armstrong, the Motor-ola leader, into fifth place over-all, 22 seconds behind Musecuw. The American has been optimistic for days about his chances in the two stages in

England. Boardman fell to 20th overall. 54 seconds back.

lais, a major crossing point by ferry to England, 42 kilometers away. Although the chalk cliffs of Dover can be seen on a clear day, they were hidden in haze during the race.

Otherwise the weather was ideally sunny and cool for the vast number of fans again out to see the Tour. For the riders, the stiff winds, which blew from all directions during the stage, were a problem.

to all of the first five, the point is to keep as many as possible — but certainly five — of the nine starters together. That was

Only the Telekom team from

Tuesday's stage was made especially difficult by winds off the Channel, which kept flags snapping in the harbor of Caning rider unless he was their taking extraordinarily long

Boardman's team had much and varied troubles keeping five riders together. Equipment failure, flats, near-crashes and fatigue all slowed Gan's speed.

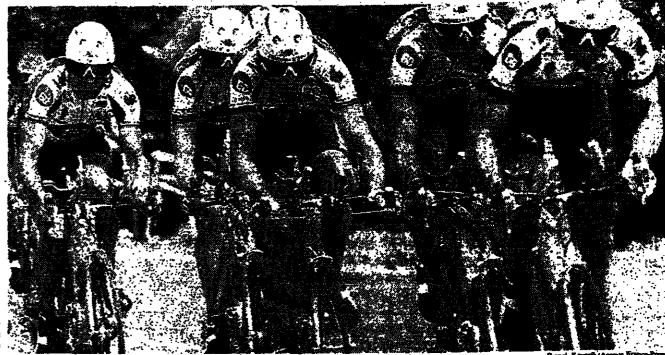
"We set too hard a pace on the hills," said Greg LeMond, one of Boardman's teammates. LeMond fell slightly behind on the last hill, a Z-shaped road visible from afar because of the spectators thick along its sides, Since the time of a team's and the team had to wait briefly fifth man across the line is given for him.

> Then, a few kilometers later. Eddy Seigneur, another Gan rider, took a right turn badly and needed to take his right foot off the pedal to steady himself before he crashed into a

taking extraordinarily long turns as the powerhouse. The Olympic champion in pursuit and former holder of the world record for the hour's ride against the clock, both solitary disciplines, may have been too strong and too eager for his teammates in this race.

More than once, for example, he looked back to see if another rider was ready to replace him and serve a minute or two as the pacesetter. And more than once, nobody was up to the job, so Boardman had to keep lead-

He was losing his yellow jersey and he knew it and there was nothing more he could do to help himself. As the name says, it's a team time trial.



Johan Museeuw of Belgium, center, and his GB-MG teammates won the team time trial for the second straight year

Colorado center fielder Mike Kingery nabbed Glenallen Hill's pop fly in the first game, but the fun was just beginning.

whose half-day at the ballpark

seemed to warp his sense of what a true baseball fan is.

the end of it," he said. But he

added, "My wife, who is a real

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baseball fan, left after the 12th

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The first game offered no

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simply a close game was decid-

ed in the bottom of the ninth

when Glenallen Hill tied the

score with a sacrifice fly and

Derrick May won it with a two-

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Then, lightning and thunder-

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"I'm a real fan. I want to see

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Mike Harkey, a former Cub,

lost his shutout in the ninth on

Colorado scored in the 11th

Steve Buechele's bloop RBI sin-

for a 2-1 lead, but shortstop

Walt Weiss made two straight

ning, allowing the Cubs to tie. In the top of the 14th, rain

In the top of the 15th, Dante

stopped play for 59 minutes.

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punched a door in the club- again.

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treal won in Los Angeles.

failed to finish. He lowered his

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Rangers Walk by Tigers

League West, where no victory seems to come simply, the Texas Rangers were happy to accept a gift from Mike Gardiner. Will Clark drew a four-pitch

walk from Gardiner with the bases loaded and one out in the bottom of the ninth Monday night, giving the Rangers a 4-3 win over the Detroit Tigers. "He never threw me any-

thing, so it was fairly easy," The victory increased the

Texas lead in the division to four games over Seattle and Oakland. The Rangers are only 39-42, however, making them the first team in major league history to be in first place on July 4 with a record below .500. Oddibe McDowell singled

with one out against Gardiner. Jeff Frye followed with a double that had a chance to drive in McDowell, but he pulled his left hamstring as he neared

Cubs' Fans Suffer Through a True Test of Loyalty Ferguson, a 57-year-old banker rupted the sixth inning of the of the wall. Two runs scored, Cedeno drove in four runs in St.

> Kevin Roberson, pinch-hit- Then it rained again, and 52 ting for Chicago, struck out and minutes later play resumed — Phillies 10, Padres 4: Todd Pratt, who entered the game in The game ended when Greg hand and was going on the 15- Harris retired Sosa on a liner to San Diego hitting .150 with no RBIs, doubled in three runs and Expos 5, Dodgers 1: Butch hit a two-run homer for Phila-

Louis as Houston, with 15 hits

All-Star Danny Jackson al. run to Gomez in the spain in ing and then nearly hit Hoiles lowed a season-high 12 hits in six with a pitch. Before the seventh, with a pitch. Before the seventh, nings and Larry Walker got three hits, one a homer, as Mon-Henry allowed five hits in the and extended his streak of nor third start this season in which errors in the bottom of the in- he pitched shutout ball and

allowing a walk to 21 imnings.

Mets 2, Glants 1: Jim Lindeman's leadoff homer in the 10th gave New York its victory in

San Francisco.

Reds 5, Martins 1: Reggie
Sanders broke the game open
with a two-run, eighth-inning this season to qualify for the Bichette hit a high fly to right-center and outfielders Sammy Sosa and Eddie Zambrano let it Eusebio had a career-high four homer and Cincinnati won in A 34-minute rain delay inter- drop between them at the base hits and four RBIs and Andujar

The associated Press third base and was later placed In the weak American on the disabled list. The Tigers' manager, Sparky Anderson, had Gardiner intentionally walk Jose Canseco,

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doesn't take much mentality. Even a moron would make it." Athletics 4, Yankees 0: Steve Ontiveros extended his scoreless streak to 24 innings as Oakland won in New York.

Ontiveros gave up four hits in 6% innings, and four other pitchers finished with hitless relief.

The A's have won nine of 10 and 15 of their last 18. New York has lost four of five.

Troy Neel hit a two-run homer off Scott Kamieniecki. Mark McGwire also homered for Oakland.

Orioles 9, Mariners 3: Leo Gomez homered twice and Balballs in heating visiting Scattle. the ninth as Chi Chris Hoiles and Mark ing Milwaukee. McLemore also homered. The Orioles have bit 13 home runs

in their last four games. -Sid Fernandez, sidelined for three weeks because of manager. Phil Garner, brought a strained rib-cage muscle, was in Jesse Orosco over objections activated from the disabled list by Bones, and Martin broke an

pitched four scoreless innings for his first save. Chris Bosio gave up a home

Bosio got into a heated argument with Durwood Merrill Mike Blowers hit a home run and drove in all three of the

Mariners' scores. Ken Griffey has gone nine games since his 32d home run, matching his longest drought of the season.

Indians 7, Twins 1: Dennis Martinez pitched a six-hitter to win his sixth straight as Cleve-

land, playing at home, swept Minnesota. The Indians out-scored the Twins, 32-12, in their first four-game sweep against Minnesota since 1984.

Candy Maldonado's two-run bringing up Clark.

"It's a very simple decision to make," Anderson said. "It and the fourth Dave Winfield homered, tripled and singled for Minnesota.

Blue Jays 9, Royals 4: Joe Carter hit his 17th homer and drove in four runs as Toronto won in Kansas City for only its third victory in its last 16

The Blue Jays were held hit-less by Bob Milacki before breaking loose for five runs in the sixth. John Olerud keyed the outburst with a two-run. double, making him 5-for-8 with the bases loaded this season. Dick Schofield homered and

drove in two runs for Toronto. Mike Macfarlane hit a pair of two-run homers for the Royals. White Sox 3, Brewers 2: Pinch-hitter Norberto Martin doubled home the winning run

timore again hit a lot of long with two outs in the bottom of the ninth as Chicago beat visit-Craig Grebeck doubled with

two outs off Ricky Bones and Ron Karkovice went in as a pinch-runner. The Brewers' before the game and went five 0-for-19 slump with the win-innings. Mark Eichhorn ning hit.

Red Sox 4, Angels 1: Scott Cooper's two-run double high-lighted a four-run second while Roger Clemens struck out 10 and allowed only two hits in seven shutout innings as Boston beat visiting California.

Clemens (7-4) left the game with tightness in his right grain. The Red Sox said it was too early to tell whether he would miss his last start before the All-Star break. Last year, he missed nearly a month because of a strained right groin muscle. Boston has won 10 m a row

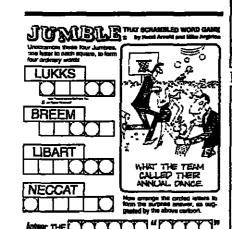
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On a lazy holiday afternoon, the Colorado Rockies and Chi-

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"We even ran out of food,"

said the Cubs' catcher, Rick

Wilkins. "That's a long day

ley Field, where the Cubs won

the opener, 4-3, and the Rockies won the nightcap, 4-2, in 15

Only about 1,000 fans remained from a crowd that had numbered 37,167. One was Bob

So it went on July 4 at Wrig-

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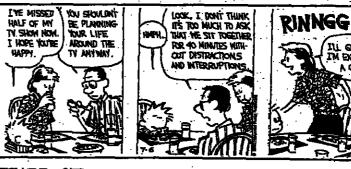








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SPORTS WORLD CUP

The World Meets New Jersey

By Evelyn Nieves New York Times Service NORTH BERGEN, New Jersey - This is very, very not special." Gasparo Sánchez, World Cup fan by way of Mexico City, was groping, and it wasn't a language problem that

was tying his tongue. It was

good manners. He was on Route 1&9, scouting a room along a strip of motels usually left to dead-tired truckers and one-hour stands. After hearing of the "inexpensive accommodations" from fellow soccer fans, he was looking for something his wife

might like.
"I think," he said, "it is im-

Welcome, World Cup fans, to a part of the Garden State where there's not a garden in sight. Thousands of soccer fans are here in dead-giveaway rental cars, surveying the turnpike, the factories, the strip mails all the things New Jersey would love to hide. And while they've descended on the roadside Ramadas, Howard Johnsons and Days Inns, they've also found their way to the local no-tell motels, five minutes from either

micrown or the Meadowlands. The motels are reaping wordof-mouth business from World Cup pilgrims who come without tickets, without reservations, without a clue, really. Hey, the establishments welcome the chance to reinvent themselves for a while.

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The York Motel, which sits on a ledge above Route 495, on the eastbound approach to the Lincoln Tunnel, even gussied up for the occasion, sporting a fresh coat of mint-green paint. And it put up a "Welcome World Cup" sign in big black letters for all the world to see, until management grew tired of it after two weeks and returned the "Day rate \$20 and up" ad.

"We are all getting business!" said Nitin Desai, who works the front desk. Let the politicians say what

they will about the World Cup being a boon for tourism. The hardcore soccer buffs come from thousands of miles away, see their game and leave. What

does it matter where they stay? The fans come just for one night, just for the soccer," said Dineshkum Patel, with something like amazement. He is a



Fans celebrating in Manhattan after Brazil's 1-0 victory.

clerk at the Seville Motel on Route 1869, where rates are \$27 for three hours (\$30 for a mirrored room), \$32 for five hours (\$36 for mirrors) and \$42 a

Hard as the locals might find it to believe, all the motels raised their prices by \$5 or more, expecting they'd be over-booked. But that hasn't been

"It's true that people in the United States are not that interested in soccer," Desai said, disappointed that the York hadn't sold out.

What the York, and a few of the other motels, hadn't anticipated was that soccer fans who can't get tickets want their cable TV. "We would have had more people," Desai lamented, "If only we had cable!"

At the Meadowlands Motel, one of every four customers on nights is here for the an issue in the rooms.

"The short stay — two hours is our main business," Patel door hadn't said it for him.

Hotel and the Days Inn are sharing honors for having the by a teen-ager having a bad hair classies accommodations on day when he honked as she the strip. Both have cable, nei-walked too far out along Route ther have day rates. We are different," said Na-

Before it became World Cup famous, the Palace's selling point was its hop to the Lincoln Tunnel. Now, on game nights,

night) is nearly sold out. "When Ireland was here, whew, that was something else," Butt said. He has seen a lot of fans like Alejandro Zozoya, who found the Palace after meeting someone at Giants Stadium who recommended it. With his mother, two friends and a friend's son, Zozoya, from San Luis Potosi, Mexico, had followed the Mexican team to Washington, to Orlando, Florida, to Washington to New Jersey, winging it all the

way. So far, so good, he said. But he offered a glimpse of what the hardcore soccer lans may make of New Jersey. This is his party's first trip here, and what have they seen? The Meadowlands, where they bought tickets for Tuesday's Mexico-Bulgaria game at Gi-ants Stadium. The Turnpike. And the hotel

"There really isn't much here," Zozoya said. He had to World Cup, and the only cable be convinced that North Berger TV is in the bar. Rajni Patel, a is a town, not a service road, clerk, said cable had never been and that New Jersey has restaurants without drive in windows. And back to Gasparo Sán-

chez. Within his first two hours said sheepishly, as if the condom here, he waltzed into a traffic vending machines by the front jam en route to the Meadowlands, chalking it up to an acci-It's no wonder that the Palace. dent when it was just the average 5 P.M. flow. He was cursed 1&9. Not the stuff of Miami horror stories, but no walk in deen Butt, a Palace front-desk the park.

Still, he was chipper.
"The main thing," he said, "is for Mexico to win. We win, we go home happy."

If they lose? "We go home." the 127-room hotel (\$55 a Either way, they leave.



Dutch players Aron Winter (20), Dennis Bergkamp (10) and Rob Witschge saluted the crowd, but Ireland's Gary Kelly and fans in Dublin despaired.

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was fully satisfied with security

so far, reported that there had been only 312 arrests out of attending matches as of Suntickets.

"Owing to the good spirit of fans and their overall attitude, there has been no evidence of hooliganism and no significant incidents have occurred so far," FIFA said in a statement.

"The fact that fans were not segregated has posed no prob-victory over Switzerland.

DALLAS - FIFA, saying it seen to enjoy the matches peacefully with a positive and sporting attitude.

FIFA said there had been more than 2 million spectators only seven reported cases of fans trying to invade the pitch. day, and that more than half
Only 12 people had been arthat number were for scalping rested on charges of drunkenness and of the 833 people seeking medical treatment, more than 95 percent were for heat-

related problems. Spanish police are hunting for a stone arm off one of Madrid's best-known monuments during the revelry following the gather after national team victories at the 18th century Cibeles fountain, which contains a statue of the Greco-Roman goddess Cybele riding a lion-

drawn chariot. Vandals broke off one of the statue's arms and carried it away early Sunday.

That prompted Madrid's mayor, José Maria Alvárez del Manzano to appeal to fans "to share their joy in a civilized way" if Spain wins its quarterfinal Saturday.

 In hopes of sparing Ireland's team from the scorching

Madrid fans traditionally heat in Florida, the Irish newspaper The Sunday Press published a prayer for rain for Monday's match. The prayer, provided by the

paper's religious columnist, was printed on the front page. At match time, skies were

overcast, temperatures cooler. But there was one other cloud: The Netherlands won, 2-0. Celebration in the Hagne turned violent, with windows

cars set on fire. Police said about 50 people were arrested. • A farmer stabbed seven half.

smashed, stores robbed and

during a dispute sparked by Romania's historic victory over Argentina, police said.

They said Ioan Catalin Rubina, 24 from the northeastern village of Mogosesti, was under the influence of alcohol. One victim was in critical condition.

São Paulo police had to whisk away a young man who appeared in the middle of a celebration with his face painted in the colors of the American flag and bearing a plastic Bra-zilian flag that he tried to rip in

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North Korea Doesn't Enter Games

TOKYO -- North Korea missed the entry deadline for individnal events at the Asian Games in Hiroshima in October, organizers said Tuesday, confirming the country's intention to boycott

what will the region's largest-ever games.

Chang Ung, secretary general of the North Korean Olympic Committee, had announced his country would not attend because of what he called Japan's "political discrimination in sport" stemming from international insistence on inspecting North Korea's its nuclear installations.

For the Record

Boris Becker, having withdrawn his name at the last minute, was not on the German team of Michael Stich, Karsten Braasch, Marc Goellner and Patrik Kuehnen named for the Davis Cup

quarterfinal against Spain. (Reuters)

King Williams, the LPGA golfer shot in a discount store's

parking lot in Niles, Ohio, said she will try to play in this weekend's Toledo Classic despite the bullet lodged near her

Paul Gascoigne, the English soccer star, had a metal plate removed from the leg he broke in two places last April. (Reuters)

Davidson Ezinwa of Nigeria ran a 1994 world best of 9.94 seconds in the 100 meters in Linz, Austria, with Dennis Mitchell clocked in 9.97 and Linford Christie, in his first defeat this season, finishing third in 10.03.

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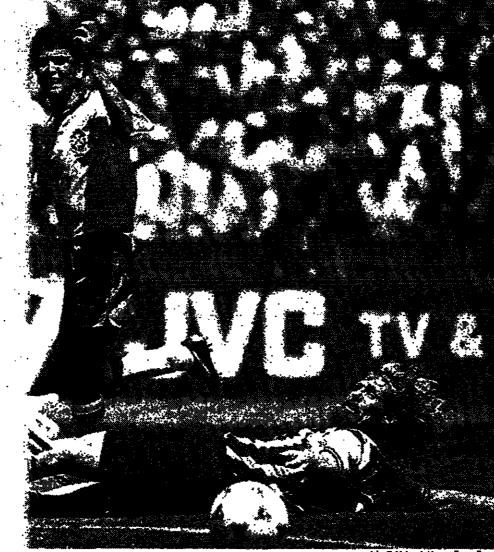
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Bebeto watched his shot sail past the U.S. defender Alexi Lalas and the diving goalkeeper Tony Meola for Brazil's goal in the 74th minute, securing the victory.

In Sportsspeak, Soccer Puts U.S. Athletes to Shame

By Frank Ahrens

WASHINGTON - On the evening of Sunday, June 19, hours before his country was to face mighty Brazil, at a time when a nation of 150 million souls looked to him for encouragement, Pavel Sadyrin, coach of the Russian national soccer team, said: "If we win the World Cup, it will be a

miracle on the scale of flying saucers." I will say this for soccer, which has come to our shores during this World Cup: It has elevated the quotes on American sports pages to a spectacularly higher level. A metaphorical level. A metaphysical level. A literary level.

This is very good.

American athletes are among the least insightful, least interesting people routine-ly quoted in newspapers. Incessantly, they offer up dreary homilies and insipid truisms. American athletes say things like

"It's a game of what-ifs. But the bottom line is that we got beat by a team that came in here and played better than us." These were the ruminations of the Washington Redskins' former quarterback, Mark Ry-7 loss to the N Giants last October.

To be fair, perhaps professional U.S. athletes are merely putting us all on; per-haps they are actually intellectuals, droll literati who issue moronic quotes as an elaborate joke on what they regard as the lowbrow media. I prefer this theory to the literati who issue moronic quotes as an alternative, that American athletes are as good and the bad." dumb and bland as turnips.

Anyway, with World Cup soccer, it's all different. With World Cup soccer you get quotes like this, from Brazil's coach, Alperto Parreira: "Your mind has to be free. knowing you are doing your best. You and collision, laced with appropriate ter-

They never "get small," these guys. Even though places like Washington rally around their Redskins, the city does not live and die with each game. People do not commit suicide after the Redskins lose, as they did in Brazil a few years ago after the national team lost the World Cup. So it makes sense that quotes from soccer players would include more than just the game. They would encompass life, death, drama, apocalypse and, if necessary, something about the game.

Quotes from American athletes and coaches are about doing; quotes from for-eign soccer players and coaches are about

Hence, the sagacity of the Mexican team's coach, Miguel Mejla Baron: "When life smiles on you, fortune is nearby. And when there is bad luck it is often to do with a lack of attitude and capacity to work in

And hence the aphorism of the Moroccan coach, Abdellah Ajri Blinda, who uttered a maxim so true, all would be wise to heed it: "Life doesn't end with Belgium."

lessons in teamwork, discipline, perseverance and good fellowship. Perhaps. But think back to your Little

Or do you instead remember this: "Hit the freakin' cutoff man! Hit the freakin'

cutoff man!! Christ Amighty!!" (Slams American sports are sports of violence

have to grow. If you get small, you are minology, such as "bomb" and "blitz" and crushed." 'spicide squeeze" and "coffin corner." And much of American sport, particularly the National Basketball Association of late, is about not only beating but humiliating your opponent.

But when did you ever hear a coach frame the game in such Wagnerian terms as Italy's Arrigo Sacchi, who, when asked to assess his team's situation in the standings, responded: "We cannot afford to try to calculate. We must play to the death."

Consider the use of vivid verbs and powerful metaphors-cornerstones of good iting in any language-of these players: "I expect the team to liberate itself in upcoming games." — Brazil's Rai.

What does he mean? Does it matter? 'Mexico always attacks, That's what Mexico is." — Mexican goalkeeper Jorge

Not, That's what Mexico does. That's what Mexico is.

Styron could not have said it better. "In life, we all aspire to light until the last minute. Or until the whistle blows." Colombian defender Alexis Mendoza.

ought to play sports because sports teach than this quote, from the Washington Capitals; goalie Don Beaupre, after a National Hockey League victory over Los Angeles: "Myself and everyone else worked hard

Maybe our game of baseball is the American Meaning of Life metaphor; in it, we find father and country and honor and poetry and sentiment and symmetry. But these words come from writers and commentators and historians. These are not

the words of the players. Here in the United States, the World Cup is something Americans understand

— a huge, gaudy spectacle. But we view it like Victorians who made their Grand Tour at home --- it is paraded before us with familiar, stereoscopic detachment and we can regard it safely, like exotic, poisonous snakes stuffed and mounted beneath glass.

These player quotes are the persistent little raps on the inside of the glass, the reminder that with this game comes a way of viewing life very much different from our own. With it comes hope and expectation that goes far beyond escapism and vicarious joy; a hope that crosses over, indeed, into the realm of sustenance and

Consider the words of the embattled Argentine soccer star Diego Maradona, now banished, a man of ravening appetites and fulminating passions, one of the great-est players of all time:

"Soccer is skin, It's giving the people that happiness they never get from the government, or from empty promises politicians have been making for years. Soccer never lied to the Argentine.

Is there hope for American sports

Perhaps. What follows is not a quotation from a player, or even a coach. But in America, intelligent sportsspeak is still in its infancy and we must take what scraps we can get from whatever the source. So listen to Alan Rothenberg, chairman of the

U.S. World Cup organization: "If we do well, I think we could start to catch lightning in a bottle." Not bad.

Not bad at all. Let's just call it a "glimmer" of hope. Contributing to this article was staff researcher Robert Lyford.

Brazil Dashes Dream, But It's Independence Day for U.S. Soccer

nal Herald Tribune

PALO ALTO, California - Then Romario charged past three men with the finality of a bull bursting into the arena, going as far as he could until sacrificing himself up for Bebeto on the right. Bebeto's shot ran like a tongue across the mouth of the goal and settled where the net met the far left post.

Slowly, the U.S. team gathered itself for the final 21 minutes of its 1-0 loss to the vastly superior Brazilians, who are favored to win their fourth World Cup. On the Fourth of July, the Americans had de-fended as heroically and frantically as deck hands on a burning ship. Then Be-beto did what is demanded of him, leaving 21 minutes for his bosts to understand

what they had done. For a while the crowd was glum and quiet. Then the U.S. goalkeeper, Tony Meola, who years ago was drafted to play baseball for the New York Yankees, found himself alone against the bull. Romário shot and Meola, landing on his shoulder, denied him. As he stood up the 84,147 at Stanford Stadium, most of them Americans who had never much cared about soccer until last week, realized that only minutes earlier they actually had been fig-uring the probabilities of Brazil, down a man and scoreless, losing to the United

"I just couldn't be more proud of the team," the U.S. coach, Bora Milutinovic, told American reporters. "I'm happy because of the effort my players put forth in this World Cup. We were able to say good-

bye in a great atmosphere."

They were outshot, 16-4, which does not begin to describe the favorites' supremacy nor the underdogs' tenacity. It was one of those rare days that becomes what everyone had imagined without believing it could happen.

Milutinovic, the Serb known for taking Mexico to the 1986 quarterfinals and Costa Rica to the second round - and now for this — had fielded a defensive team, swayed in part by the first-round suspen-sion of the midfielder John Harkes. Harkes's spot on the left side went to the previously ineffective Cobi Jones, while the striker Eric Wynalda was replaced by a midfielder, Hugo Perez, leaving the Dutch-

born Ernie Stewart as the only striker. The coach knows his players. Jones was tireless in dropping back to help Paul Cali-guiri, much more than Harkes might have been; and whereas the United States had built up its success through Harkes in the first round, the counterattacking was now funneled through Tab Ramos. Within 12 minutes, Ramos was literally running circles around Zinho on the right side of the box before dropping the ball into Thomas and just beyond the reach of Alexi Lalas, who tumbled into the net, and Marcelo Balboa

It is difficult to say how an early U.S. goal would have influenced the Brazilians, whose patience was ruffled by the frenetic Americans. Without doubt, the favorites grew more efficient than in any of their first-round matches. In the opening minutes they had crossed the ball back and forth at midfield, deciding the best mode; now they were flying out of their zone in wave after wave like hockey players.

They had more chances than can be detailed. The Americans of four years ago would have lost by a touchdown. Understanding that one mistake would be enough to finish them, the Brazilans had no choice but to play with the recklessness that begs mistakes. A Dunga lob crossed by Marcio Santos to Aldair, whose shot rolled wide off the ankle. Zinho to Santos, just over the bar. Dunga to Bebeto, whose scissor kick went just wide of the beaten

And then Ramos, tiny and lonesome at the other end, punching a long, hopeless shot high over the bar.

turn out to be the largest TV audience for soccer in the United States, to see one team so overmatched and yet fearless and indomitable. "Brazil, Brazil," was shouted down and overtaken by "U.S.A., U.S.A."

So comfortable had the Americans become that a columnist for the Los Angeles Times was second-guessing Milutinovic for not using Frank Klopas, a striker who might pull the U.S. team out of its drought. In the 10th minute, Caliguiri was actually booed by the Americans for misplaying a ball to Jones - both U.S. firsts in a game that had grown up overnight.

American fans came to the stadium car-

rying flags — and how many chances do Americans have to carry flags, even on the Fourth of July? They aren't known for traveling internationally in support of their teams, and it's the rare Olympics or Davis or Ryder Cups when they feel

threatened by foreigners.

At one point, Ramos and Perez played a little game between themselves at midfield. with Caliguiri eventually forming a trign-gle. But their teammates didn't know he'w to involve themselves (we'll see what happens in 1998 in France) and soon the Brazilians were back on the stampede, forcing a dive from Meola against Leonar-

The notorious Leonardo. In the 39th minute, his arm interlocked with Ramos as they fought for a ball and he caught the American with a vicious elbow behind the left ear. Ramos was hospitalized with a fracture of the parietal bone.

"But it is not a serious problem," the U.S. team's doctor, Bill Garrett, said afterward, adding that Ramos was "doing fine" and was expected to be released Tuesday. Leonardo apparently didn't intend to injure, and when he realized that the referee had seen everything he tried to lean down and help. Several Americans arrived to shove Leonardo, and then the French referee, Joël Quiniou, came running in with his red card to quiet everyone. He even gave a yellow card to Ramos - for tangling with Leonardo --- as he was being carted off the field. With his team shorthanded, Romário responded with a con-temptuous blast off Meola's post just be-

forc the half. Wynalda replaced Ramos at halftime, and soon another striker. Roy Wegerle, would come in for Perez as Milutinovic attempted to change the U.S. tone from defense to offense. To be even against Brazil and a man up with one half rema ing at home was beyond American dream
But the U.S. team is like a newborn, sti

learning everything its parts can amour to. The ball came out of the U.S. end i little more often, but the efficient Brazilians maintained their advantage. Their aim for the posts didn't give Meols the oppor-Dooley, whose short, sliding cross trickled tunity to make a lot of great saves. He was two strides from the Brazilian goalline—taken out of the play as surely as Romário. came past Dooley, around Balboa and created the goal for Bebeto as the sliding

Lalas arrived too late. "I should have stepped up on Bebeto and played him offsides, but I stayed with him and slid - and watched it go into the back of the net," Lalas said. "He finished it very well. He was going a hundred miles an

hour, these guys are dribbling maniacs." Said the Brazilian coach, Carlos Alberto-Parreira: "What panie? How many times did Taffarel have to save a ball?" He was. speaking of his goalkeeper.

"It was a dramatic game," he said, "but

it was not a close game." It should be noted that Parreira commended the Americans for being worldclass, and that the Americans commended themselves. Brazil has beaten the United States all six times that their teams have met, outscoring them 12-3 - but even that statistic comes with the understanding that the Americans are no longer the laughingstock that they used to be. As the rest of the world takes over this tournament without American involvement, the hosts might dare to sing along. They no longer feel like outsiders in their own country, It was captivating stuff for what will and it happened on Independence Day,

Rabid Rooter Seeks Shot — for Lockjaw — Please

By Tony Kornheiser

Washington Post Series

WASHINGTON — Okay, so we lost, so what? I'll still take Frank Sinatra

over Sergio Mendes.
One-nil. One-nil to the mighty Brazilians. One-nil to the invincible Brazilians. Just one stinking nil. Samba that. On the other hand, we did have a man advantage for 43 minutes. The power play. The added shooter. Shoot-o-rama! And we didn't get a single decent shot on good. Oy, vey! Where'd we get this power

play from, the Belize ice hockey team? How could we not get any good shots? As that old midfielder Dick Vitale would say, "You gotta shoot the rock, baybee."
Tom Dooley gets that great chance in the ! Ith minute ... then catatonia.
Of course I heard Roger Twibell, Sea-

mus Malin and Rick Davis try to con-

vince us

that this Vantage was real- Point step forward for American soccer, that we can build on this loss. And I know

every loss is a learning experience. So I hope what we learn from this is: Ya gotta

snow the ball!
What a set-up, holy cow, they'd never believe it if we'd beaten Brazil on our Independence Day. I had my opening paragraph written: "History will now apport that the Deducation of American record that the Declaration of American Soccer Independence was born on the Fourth of July." Okay, it's not exactly "Cail me Ishmael" — but it's better than Roger Twibell saying, "The Brazilians have great passion for soccer, and they also have great passion for auto racing. Just as a way to drop in a promo for the

Cleveland Grand Prix on ABC. I really thought we were going to win. I thought it was destiny after one of the Brazilians. I think it was Chimichanga. missed the wide open net to Tony Meola's left early in the first half. And then Romario hit the post ("He hit the poossstutt!") right at the end of the half. I still thought we were going to win even after I heard Rick Davis's disheartening



The referee. Joël Quiniou, ejected Leonardo for elbowing Tab Ramos.

observation, "That's two different times (the United States) has been caught in a flat back four." I've been caught in a flat bed truck myself, so I figure a flat back

four has to be ghastly. I felt we were going to win because we were playing 11 on 10 after Leonardo got red-carded for elbowing Tab Ramos into next Wednesday — and Brazil couldn't bring in Donatello, or any of the other Ninja Turtles. I felt we were going to win Either he was wide or high or he couldn't get any mustard on his shot. But things seemed to change when Brazil put in Cafu in the second half.

Though the Brazilians were one man down, they continued to press the action, making short pass after short pass, like Joe Montana, relentlessly chewing up yardage. And we were, uh, waiting for something ... a bus, I guess.

We did that California thing. We

stood around, like, you know, dude, chil-And in the 74th minute Romario slid one over to Bebeto, angling down the right side, and he went for the far post, and Tony Meola couldn't reach it.

Q. Do you believe in miracles? A. Only if Smokey's singing. So our active participation in the World Cup comes to an end, and from now all we do is the host thing. But 1-0 to Brazil isn't bad, right? Better to lose to them than the Swiss. You can bet the Brazilians weren't practicing sexual ab-

Let me add parenthetically that I went to the Spain-Switzerland game in Washington. I didn't know who to root for, because while I loved being in Barcelona for the 1992 Olympics, I also have such fond memories of Ovaltine. This wasn't nearly as big a costume game as previous RFK matches, where the Dutch dressed head to toe in orange, and the Mexicans covered themselves in pro-NAFTA bumper stickers. Since the Swiss are a reserved, neutral people, I wondered what they would come dressed as cheese? numbered bank accounts? Actually, I saw three Swiss men in sombreros upon which they had hand-written "Switzerland." I guess that's the wild and crazy side of the Swiss that we never see

in the counting house. I ended up rooting for Spain because I sat in front of five guys with big lungs who kept up a steady "Ess-pan-ya!" chant throughout the game. Because of their true Castillian accents and the fact that they'd painted their faces red and yellow, I took them for Spanish nation-

als. As I turned to leave I offered them congranulations in Spanish, saying. "Felicitaciones," and the guy directly behind me shakes my hand and says in completely unaccented English, "I've enjoyed your work on ESPN." All game long I think I'm sitting in front of José Greco, and it turns out to be a cab driver from Brooklyn! Okay, let's get down to the serious

questions for everybody who's been fol-lowing the World Cup on TV: 1. Who is Sandy Glaser? That's the name on the card on all the Master Card commercials. Is this Sandy Glaser a he or a she? What is his/her credit limit? Does

he/she get a discount on Gillette and Canon products? 2. Is the ball juiced? Well, come on. Here in the second round four of the six advancing teams scored three goals. In the first round if you got two you were the '27 Yankees. Greece hasn't scored

three goals this century.

3. What's the deal with Maradona doing color on the game? Seriously, do you see Doc Gooden going to Cincinnati to sit in the booth with Ralph Kiner? Does this guy have no shame at all? (Who plays Maradona in the movie? Gotta be Joe Pesci.)

Foreigners are always attacking the United States for being a violent nation. But we don't murder our athletes. As much as I've come to like the World Cup, I'm glad we don't treat it with the same fervor as other nations. All this casual talk about how "soccer is a passion" and "soccer is a religion" makes me nervous; passion and religion is a dangerous and historically deadly combination. And I've had it up to here with soccer geeks who are, heaven help us, every bit as pretentious as our football geeks. One man I know, who has been salivating about the World Cup for years, while attacking American sports as loutish, informed me, "Every play, every rush down the field, is a complete short sto-

I'm watching 22 guys with hairy legs kick a ball around, and he's seeing Carlos Castenada in a crossing pass.

For U.S., Pride and Sorrow

Despite Loss, Players Hope They Won Over Fans

By Christopher Clarey
New York Times Service_

PALO ALTO, California — To the beat of Brazilian drums, the Americans marched through the brilliant sunshine and onto the field past a star-spangled sign that read like a mantra: "You Gotta Be-

at midfield, put his hands over his freckled cheeks and, with the drums still bearing, sobbed because the believing had ended in a predictable result: a Brazilian victory. 'It just hit me that it was over," Stewart

Two hours later, Ernie Stewart bent over

"You come so far, and you're out there in a crowd like this, and it just hurts. This is the world championship; everything was so nice and so beautiful. And now there is nothing more we can do." Stewart soon raised his head and

trudged toward the locker room, where the mood was not much lighter. "Heads down, very depressed, tears here and there," said the defender Marcelo Bal-

But as Coach Bora Milutinovic made clear in his postgame speech to his players, Stewart and Balboa and their once anonymous teammates soon will be dwelling on their accomplishments, not just on the sting of a 1-0 loss that kept them out of the

World Cup quarterfinals. "It was the most exciting time of my life," said the goalkeeper, Tony Meola, who gave up a paltry three goals in four matches. "I don't know if anything in any other sport other than winning the World Cup would have beat the excitement of this. I hope it continues."

Meola wasn't through talking about his hopes. Like all the U.S. players, he has been more than an athlete in recent weeks.

He has been a missionary.

"Hopefully, we convinced people this is an attractive game, one worth watching." he said. "I hope that because we are out. the excitement doesn't end here in the United States."

Judging from all the green and gold in Stanford Stadium on Monday, there seems little chance of an end to the enthusiasm until the Brazilians are on a flight back to Rio de Janeiro.

"They played like world champions." the defender Paul Caligiuri said. "I can't imagine this team not winning the champi-"They just created more chances," Stew-

art said. "They had five or six good chances to score, and they finally took advantage of one. They were the better

Balboa, who spent Monday afternoon fending off the rushes of Brazil's star strikers, Romário and Bebeto, was more parsimonious with superlatives. "I think both teams were going back and

forth, and I don't think they were any more dangerous than the other teams we have played," he said. "We have played Brazil a few times now, and they always play the same way, the same way. Not much changes, and I thought we handled it well."

"I think we showed everybody here in the stadium and watching on television that we're a good team," he said, "and I don't think anybody will take us for grant-· ed anymore."



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Roberto Baggio got a step, and a hand, on Michael Emenalo as they battled for the ball during Tuesday's match.

3 More Suspects Arrested in Escobar Killing The authorities confiscated 25 kilo- said General Octavio Vargas Silva, direc-

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BOGOTA — Three more suspects were arrested in the killing of the Colombian soccer star Andres Escobar, who was shot because he scored a goal against his own team in Colombia's World Cup

said Tuesday. The police also sezzed drugs and weapons at two houses where the suspects were arrested. The authorities said they were renewing an investigation into the possibility that drug traffickers may have planned Escobar's killing.

grams (55 pounds) of cocaine, two revolvers and a submachine gun in the raid on Monday.

Earlier, the police had said the murder was not linked to drug cartels or death ther members of the Colombian team.

Escobar was shot early Saturday in the parking lot of a bar in Medellin, Colombia's third-largest city. The police arrested two suspects over the weekend, one of whom confessed to shooting Escobar,

tor of the national police.

The two men and a woman who were arrested in Medellin on Monday were outside the bar with Humberto Muñoz, who admitted shooting Escobar, the police said. The suspects were identified as two brothers, Humberto and Hernán Dario Velez Correa, and a cousin, Luz Mila Correa.

Muficz was the driver for another suspect, Santiago Gallon Henao, who the authorities said had bet heavily on the Colombian team.

Baggio Lifts Italy Past Nigeria in OT

By Ian Thomsen

nanonal Herald Tribune FOXBORO, Massachusetts - One min-

ute from the end of his starstruck reputation, Roberto Baggio rescued himself, his bickering teammates and the coach he has blamed for the mess Italy had got itself into. The 1993 world and European player of

the year scored in the 89th minute on Tuesday to force extra time against bleary Nigeria, then finished Italy's shorthanded victory with a 102d-minute penalty perhaps only he (in the post-Maradona era) could create. Rather than going home to a stoning of rotten tomatoes, Italy will remain here in suburban Boston, facing Spain in a quarterfinal on Saturday that no one would have dared predict 10 days or even 35 minutes earlier.

This goes down as a hard lesson for the Nigerians, who will spend the ensuing four years listening to their hearts. The seamless, fearless play that brought them to their first World Cup finals vanished before the three-time world champion though even the Italian fans who claimed most of the 54,367 seats Tuesday would admit that for almost 90 minutes Italy was

a champion by reputation only. For all of their internal bleeding, the Italians were still the aggressors. They anticipated lots of space and they exploited it up to the last touch. Their good times and bad began with Sunday Oliseh blocking a

sliding volley from Baggio at the end of a long Giuseppe Signori cross. Then Signori barely missed completing a set piece at the near post with the streaking Paolo Maldini. Later in the half, as the headers of Daniele Massaro and Maldini flared hopelessly high, as entry passes and crosses went askew as they tend to do, the Italians (Baggio included) would shrug and gesture and work to make each other look bad. By then, of course, they were down a goal.

It happened in the most embarrassing way — a corner that short-hopped off the shin of Maldini. In this 27th minute he became a picket fence. The ball ricocheted clear to the left foot of Emmanuel Amunike, who deserved so little credit for blasting it in that he was replaced less than a half-hour later by Thompson Oliha. Nigeria forced just one good save from Luca Marchegiam throughout regulation.

Everyone had expected a wonderful contrast of styles, but not this: Nigeria trying to play like Italy. Italy pressing forward like Nigeria, and neither of them coping well. Meanwhile, Arturo Brizio Carter of Mexico, who referees like a headmaster with a wooden paddle, was handing out nine yellow cards (five to Italy). Had he been taking names with a pencil, he would have had to sharpen it twice. But there should have been little to argue when Signori's substitute, Gianfranco Zola, was

ejected in the 76th minute for elbowing Austin Eguavoen.

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Baggio was getting hacked all over the field, no doubting that, but still — the pouting Italians were looking like they didn't want to score, like they wanted to be mad at Coach Arrigo Sacchi for his conservatism. Then the Italians lost a man and their attitude improved. Three of their four World Cup goals have come when the team is shorthanded, including the equalizer: Robert Mussi entered the right side of the box and the seeping Nigerian defense left Baggio alone near the penalty mark to

finish off his crossing pass.
Nigeria tried to just be itself, but its star, Rasheed Yekini, was failing twice at close range in extra time, with Dino Baggio having to clear one shot off the line. Then came the winner from - who else? In the upper left corner of the African box, Roberto Baggio and Antonio Benarrivo nonchalantly exchanged positions over the ball, allowing Baggio to shovel a lob over the trailing defender, Eguavoen, who tram-pled Benarrivo in the chase. Baggio left no doubt about the penalty.

Clemens Westerhof had been expected to resign after five years as Nigeria's coach, and he did. More widely predicted had been the dismissal of Sacchi, but now he goes into the quarterfinals with a rejuvenated Raggio, and a sudden hazy idea of meeting Brazil in the final.

A Roar for the Crowd From 'Jack's Lads'

By Charlie Nobles

New York Times Service ORLANDO, Florida - In the first moments after the match, Jason McAteer paused with hands on knees to absorb the pain of 11 all. Then, undaunted at finding no Dutch player with whom to swap jer-seys, the Irish midfielder walked to one side of the Citrus Bowl and, pointing to a large block of Irish fans, began clapping. Then he walked to the stadium's other

side and repeated the gesture. Ireland was eliminated from the World Cup on Monday by the Netherlands, 2-0, but the Irish aren't going home because of lack of fan

Their fans - and the Citrus Bowl was heavily dotted with them - have been among the most rabid and enthusiastic of the World Cup, and McAteer's appreciative move recognized as much.

We have the greatest fans in the world, bar none," said Andy Townsend, the Irish captain. "They've done themselves very

If only "Jack's lads," as this team is dubbed because of Coach Jack Charlton, had given them something to cheer about Monday. Ireland had precious few offensive opportunities until late in the second half, when the Dutch were content to shut down their offense.

"We might have gone out in a little bit of a different way," Charlton said. "When you give away two silly goals like we did, it leaves a bad feeling in the mouth of a couple of the people." couple of the people."

Charlton referre ward pass by the defender Terry Phelan that set up the first Dutch goal, and then Wim Jonk's shot in the 41st minute that slipped off the fingers of the goalkeeper,

Pat Bonner, and into the net. The Bonner flub was backbreaking for score one now and again."

Charlion's largely punchless side, which wound up scoring just two goals in four games in the tournament.

"That definitely was a blow," Townsend

Bonner, who at 34 likely has played in his last World Cup, spent much of halftime with head in hands as teammates tried to console him. He was philosophical afterward. "That's just football," he said. "When you're a

goalkeeper, you just have to take it the way it comes. I feel sorry for all the fans that came here and for everyone at home. I let them down, but you don't go out to make a The ball was coming in at an angle, and if I had taken it earlier it would have

bounced off my hands and gone for a corner," he added, saying he realized belatedly that he was too close to the goal.

The Irish looked for a silver lining at

halftime, but it was not there. "There was a feeling of frustration that if Holland had scored two goals from 10 pass movements or blinding shots, that would be one thing." Bonner said. "But to be behind when you shoot yourself in each

foot, it's very, very frustrating."

Ireland thought it had a goal near game's end, by the sweeper Paul McGrath, but the referee called him for a dangerous play on the shot - a high kick that hit Frank Rijkaard in the head.

"I thought it was a perfectly good goal," McGrath said. But then he added, "To be honest, my foot was a little high."

Charlton expressed some exasperation about the call, but then, smiling suddenly at the media assemblage, said: "Now, I'm not complaining. It was too late in the

Elsewhere, news agencies reported: In Ireland, millions awoke Tuesday to look reality in the face after three weeks of

partying and euphoria. "It's the end of the feel-good factor," said one politician in Dublin. "Now it's back to the real world."

Dublin authorities also called off a weicome-home party for the team on Thurs-day, because Charlton and several of his players said they were staying in the Unit-ed States to watch the rest of the tournament. The party was expected to attract

half a million people.

All over Ireland, green, white and gold bunting still decked the streets, but summer showers gave it a limp and tired look to match the national mood.

"It's probably a good thing," said Dora O'Toole, a hungover cleaner on her way to work. "We've all been drinking more than we can afford, living with our heads in the clouds.'

And, in Orlando, after the murder of the Colombian player Andrés Escobar, Irish fans wanted to make clear the distinction that, while the Irish live and die for their team, they do not kill over it. "For South American people, that's how

seriously they take their soccer," said John Cleary, a Dubliner, as green paint dripped down his face. "There will be harsh words. But Irish fans are very forgiving." Thousands of them had burst into spontaneous choruses of "Always look on the

bright side of life" and then waited for well over an hour, singing and chanting, to send their players off in the right way. Charlton predicted the Irish and Dutch

fans would enjoy a great party together in Orlando later, which they did.

game to affect it anyway. We would have "I like the Dutch," he said. "If an liked the goal just to show that we can had to put us out, I'm glad it's them." "I like the Dutch," he said. "If anyone (Reuters, AP, LAT)





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Romen Gazad/Agence France-Pressection G Mabbago 'Agence France-Pressection G Mabbago Conquering the Conqueror? World Watches U.S. Warm to Foreign Game

By William Drozdiak Washington Post Service

PARIS — If some commentators around the world are to be believed, the golden era of American cultural imperialism may finally be doomed. The arrogent superpower that projected fast food and game shows to the corners of the earth has dropped its charvinistic guard and submitted to the seductive charms of an alien sport

Halfway through the obsessive, monthlong ritual known as the World Cup, the planet's population is reacting with sur-prised delight to the way in which world soccer's most prestigious tournament is unfolding in the United States.

This is nothing less than a cultural revolution, a victory by the Old Continent, the revenge of the colonized," wrote Frederic Pages in Le Canard Enchaîne, a satirical French weekly. "After Disneyland and the D-Day ceremonies, after too many hamburgers swallowed in silence, today at last the conquest of the United States is in

sight --- by soccer." The packed stadiums, the enormous television audience, the enthusiastic cheers, the formidable logistical achievements and the absence of hooliganism everything, in fact, except the stiffing heat

— are drawing incredulous praise from foreign skeptics who never believed that World Cop madness could infect America. The relative absence of violence in U.S.

stadiums has been a source of immense relief for foreigners at a time when America's reputation for violence is again grabbing headlines with the O. J. Simpson murder trial and periodic attacks on foreign tourists. The fact that Britain, whose fans are considered the rowdiest in Europe, is not participating in the World Cup has been cited as an important factor for the peaceful matches, as well as the prudence

shown by the police. The logistics of arranging matches in nine different cities scattered across a continent 3,000 miles (4850 kilometers) wide

has drawn almost universal praise.

"I've noticed something," said a German writer, Timo Trageser. "Americans are organizational geniuses, and totally achievement-oriented. Even in everyday life, their motto seems to be, "Faster, high-

er, stronger." Kurt Kister, a reporter for Munich's Suedentsche Zeitung, shared the assessment. There is probably no one on the globe better than the Americans at orgamizing big events," he said.

fodder for stereotypes abroad, have provided the basis for much of the background color to foreign press coverage.

"America, you are magnificently crazy!" blared a headline in the German tabloid Bild. The article went on to note that coffee refills are free in restaurants, that service "is a thousand times friendlier than in Germany," and that perfect strangers are not averse to pulling photographs of their wives and children from their wallets as they begin to recount their life stories.

When Cup play began June 17, press accounts were not so forgiving about the risky experiment of staging soccer's show-case tournament in the United States. Many reports were filled with sarcastic references to American ignorance of the world's most popular sport

Two out of three Americans, readers were told, were blissfully unaware that the event was taking place in their country. U.S. television was engaged in a desperate effort to educate viewers: An ABC commentator was quoted as explaining that when the ball strikes the back of the net, that's called a goal."

American cultural foibles, always rich dder for stereotypes abroad, have probowling, water skiing and wrestling. American men were quoted as deriding a sport they labeled "girl's kickball" because 40 percent of the Americans who played it

But the extraordinary success of the Cup has forced some foreign journalists to eat crow. Philippe Broussard, writing in the French daily Le Monde, warned that France, which will stage the World Cup in 1998, will find it difficult to match the attendance records.

"No Cup has ever seen so many spectators," Broussard wrote. "What other country could hope to get 72,000 for a match between Morocco and Saudi Arabia or 75,000 for Russia against Cameroon?" He noted that when Russia and Cameroon played one another in the 1990 Cup, the stadium in Bari, Italy, was nearly deserted.

Nonetheless, the enthusiasm on display in the United States still cannot compare to the feverish excitement the event continues to generate abroad, even in countries where fans must stay up until dawn to watch live broadcasts of the games.

In Latin America, the drug scandal in-Surveys were trotted out showing that volving the Argentine star Diego Mara-

have stunned an entire continent.

With Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil and Colombia entering the Cup as strong contenders for the title, World Cup irenzy disrupted daily life even before the games began. Yet the dramas involving Maradona and Escobar have raised this year's competition to the level of emotional trauma, as commentators peer into the Latin soul to explain such tragedies.

In Russia, too, the sorry plight of the national team has become another reason to examine the nation's decline. After two early defeats, newspapers attacked the Russian players as "dejected, bored and sleepy," and complained that watching their lackluster play made Russians feel "furious and ashamed" of their country.

Russia's team doctor was quoted as lamenting the team's unpatriotic spirit and material greed. "Look at how the Bulgarians or Romanians fight and how exulted they are when they touch the national flag," he said. "Why don't our players honor the national flag? All they care

about is money."

In Africa, where loyalties are divided

dona and the grisly murder of Colombia's among Nigeria, Cameroon and Morocco, Andres Escobar by assailants who blamed the late-night broadcasts have provided a welcome diversion from the daily accounts of war, famine and political chaos. From Monrovia to Mogadishu, Irom Kinshasa to Kigali, soccer has been embraced as the most popular respite from the continent's troubles.

As civil war ravages Rwanda, United Nations troops besieged in the capital of Kigali have managed to secure enough fuel to keep generators going after midnight to watch Cup matches, while mortars and artillery shells rain down outside the bat-

tered Meridien Hotel. Frank Mugambage, a rebel commander from Rwanda Patriotic Front, who is leading negotiations with the mainly Hutu government, told The Associated Press that his main regret about the war was that he was missing the World Cup. Not surprisingly, the most cherished items sought by looters are televisions and generators, so that rebels in the field can watch matches

during breaks in the fighting.

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Dead White Agitators

By Russell Baker NEW YORK — Button Gwinnett of Georgia was

one of the signers of the Decla- Scott of NBC come to take my ration of Independence. There picture for the Today Show's were 56 altogether. All were dead white males,

No one deplored the utter lack of diversity. Not even Cae-sar Rodney of Delaware. Oliver Wolcott of Connecticut, commenting long afterward, was amazed that Caesar Rodney had not spoken out at least about the group's deadness.

"Exactly," said William Hooper of North Carolina, "because Rodney had to put up with a lot of ham-handed joshing about death."

"Nothing infuriated him more," William Paca of Maryland recalled, "than someone clownishly clapping him on the back and saying, 'Are you really dead, old chap, or was Mark Antony just spoofing about coming to bury Caesar, not to

This reminded Robert Treat Paine of Massachusetts of the time William Floyd of New York had cried, "Great Caesar's ghost!" when Rodney came down to breakfast looking the worse for wear after a congenial evening with Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania.

"And." said Edward Rutledge of South Carolina, "what about that time the poor devil upset the table and walked out just because Richard Henry Lee of Virginia said his favorite line of poetry was. Never blooms the rose so red as where some dying Caesar bled?"

George Clymer of Pennsylvania, so famous for his interjections that he is called "The Interjecting Signer," interjected, Dick Henry Lee couldn't have spoken that line in 1776 because Edward FitzGerald didn't write it until 1859."

Years later when interviewing the ancient Stephen Hopkins of Rhode Island I begged him to announce that he was ashamed of himself for having taken part in such an important

activity when women and

blacks were excluded. "I thought you were Willard gallery of Antique Citizens," Stephen Hopkins said, kicking

me out of his house. He was the only surviving dead white male signer when I set out to expose the scandal, but it's good to think I sent at least one insensitive signer to his grave with a bad conscience. In an 1857 letter to Francis Lightfoot Lee of Virginia.

George Ross of Pennsylvania said he had just been asked to join Samuel Adams, John Adams and Elbridge Gerry of Massachusetts as well as Josiah Bartlett, William Whipple and Matthew Thornton of New Hampshire in publicly de-nouncing Thomas Jefferson of Virginia for the Declaration's sexist, politically incorrect lan-guage about "all men," rather than "all persons," being created equal.

Ross declined on grounds that not only was he himself dead, but that Jefferson was also dead, not to mention both Adamses, Gerry, Bartlett, Whipple and Thornton.

William Ellery of Rhode Is-land, who heard of the censure proposal in 1859, wrote John Witherspoon that he thought it would show a civilized regard for enlightened future Americans if all 56 signers issued a public apology for being dead.

When Samuel Chase of Maryland got wind of it, however, a row developed. "It's silly to apologize for being dead," he told his fellow Marylanders Thomas Stone and Charles Carroll of Carrollton. "How could we have avoided being dead?"

"The answer — by jogging and eating a high-fiber, low-fat diet -- seems never to have occurred to these sedentary, rye-guzzling Marylanders," Carter Braxton of Virginia wrote in his Christmas circular letter.

Dead John Hancock pondered insurance.

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The Battle of 'Sunset Boulevard' Divas

By Bernard Weinraub New York Times Service

OS ANGELES - Patti LuPone's comment the other day about Andrew Lloyd Webber was terse and scathing: "I have nothing nice to say about the man, so I choose to say nothing at all."

Two weeks ago, Faye Dunaway called the produc-

er and composer capricious, a man who changes his mind daily. But in the last few days, Dunaway has opted to remain silent. "At the suggestion of her attorneys," said Bob Palmer, her manager.

The acid dispute that pits the two stars against Lloyd Webber, the composer of "Cats," "Jesus Christ Superstar" and "The Phantom of the Opera," has riveted Broadway and even Hollywood.

One of the reasons is that it involves a public

collision of ego, money and careers, which are, after collision of ego, money and careers, which are, after all, the driving compulsions of Broadway and Hollywood. Another is that the clash seems to parallel such classic movies as "All About Eve," and, yes, "Sunset Boulevard." Which is what the fight is all about. The issues involved might at first seem unrelated. Lloyd Webber had pledged that LuPone, a top musical-comedy star, would appear in "Sunset Boulevard."

levard" on Broadway after starring in the London production. Instead, Lloyd Webber selected Glenn Close, who had starred in the Los Angeles production, and paid off LuPone with some \$1 million. Within the last two weeks, Lloyd Webber abruptly dismissed Dunaway, who was in rehearsal and scheduled to replace Close in Los Angeles on July

12. The composer's spokesman said that Dunaway's singing was not up to the demands of the part. Lloyd Webber suddenly closed the show in Los Angeles, sold the scenery to the Toronto production and moved many in the cast to New York production, which is to open on Nov. 17 at the Minskoff Theatre.

The separate moves not only stunned two actresses but also raised questions about Lloyd Webber's style. An enormously wealthy man, he has been described by some who know him as having a chilling temper, an aloof personality and, after so much power and money over the years, indifference to the sensitivities and needs of performers with fragile egos. To his friends, he is a misunderstood figure: They say he is essentially shy, with a fragile ego himself, and obsessed with perfection to the point where some stars,

like LuPone and Dunaway are unintentionally hurt. Lloyd Webber declined to be interviewed. But Peter Brown, his spokesman and a longtime friend, said in a telephone interview: "Anyone who knows Andrew knows he's very polite, very, very sensitive to artists. These are two cases in a career that's spanned 20-odd years."

LuPone had been enthusiastically selected by Lloyd Webber last year to star as Norma Desmond the faded and pathetic movie queen, in the musical version of Billy Wilder's classic 1950 film, which starred Gloria Swanson and William Holden. The musical of "Sunset" opened last July in Lon-

don, with Lloyd Webber saying he was committed to keeping LuPone when the show moved to New York, where it is expected to cost \$12 million to put on. Lloyd Webber has never been too popular with critics (only audiences), and the reviews in London



Andrew Lloyd Webber has upset both Faye Dunaway (center) and Patti LuPone.

were mixed. Several reviewers said LuPone seemed too young and invulnerable for the part of a fragile, hallucinating former movie star.

In the meantime, Lloyd Webber had cast Close to star in the show when it opened in Los Angeles at the Shubert Theatre in December. Although Close does not have LuPone's formidable singing voice, her interpretation of the role of Norma Desmond was better received.

In February, after months of denials by Lloyd Webber that he would shove LuPone aside, the composer did just that. "The perception was out there that Glenn was the best person," Brown said at the time. "In view of the expense of the production, and that our investors have been vocal about this, the consensus was that the wisest course for us on Broadway, which is the pre-eminent place for a musical to be, was that we had to go with Glenn."

LuPone's agent, Bob Duva, said the decision left his client devastated. "She got hysterical," he said. Moreover, LuPone first heard the news when Duva called her to say a gossip columnist was reporting it. Lloyd Webber never called. It was, Duva said, "completely cowardly."

In some ways, the contretemps over Dunaway was even more unexpected. Although she has never sung on stage, the Oscar-winning actress was given the part in May after a singing audition that followed two months of vocal training with two coaches.

At 53, Dunaway has confronted the same problem as other female stars over 40: a scarcity of well-written roles. Brown indicated that Lloyd Webber and his team had been concerned about Dunaway in recent weeks. She was to open in Los Angeles on Tuesday, but asked for a delay until July 12 to continue rehearsals. Meanwhile, Karen Mason, an understudy, played the role. Dunaway's rehearsals were complicated by her shooting a movie, "Don Juan de Marco and the Centerfold," which also stars Marlon Brando and Johnny Depp.

Lloyd Webber flew to Los Angeles to view Dunaway's progress in the role on June 20. He was joined, in a rehearsal room at the Shubert Theater, by Trevor Nunn, the director; Brown, his spokesman and friend; Edgar Dobie, the head of American operations for his company; David Caddick, his musical director, and Patrick McKenna, the chairman of his company. After listening to the actress sing, the group met that night at Lloyd Webber's suite at the Bel Air Hotel. The next day they met at Nunn's suite at the Century Plaza Hotel, across from the theater. There, they decided to halt the show.

The one person ignored in the backstage drama is Glenn Close, the actual star of "Sunset Boulevard." Close completed her successful run on June 26 and is returning to New York to prepare for her Broadway opening. Fearful of being seen as benefiting from the backstage drama, Close has chosen to remain

PEOPLE

Japanese Tycoon Stavs Atop List of the Richest

Although his fortune is esti-mated to have declined by the a billion dollars since last year. the world's richest person is still Yoshishi Tsutsumi, a Japanese hotel and railroad magnate with a tidy \$8.5 billion. Forbes mag-azine said the number of billionaire individuals and families in the world juraped from 47 to 358 in the last year. Forbes also said the developing world has begun to produce individual fortunes in "truly amazing numbers."

With dozens of Japanese security police in tow, Jimmy Carter scaled Mount Fuji. The former president began climbing at about 2,300 meters (7,600 feet) Tuesday morning and reached the summit at 3,776 meters by early afternoon. \Box

Liam Neeson and Natisha Richardson, who met while per-forming on Broadway in a revival of Eugene O'Neill's "Anna Christie," were married in a private ceremony at their on a private executing at their country home in apstate New York. The guests included Steven Spielberg and the actresses. Mia Farrow and Emass Thompson. The 31-year-old bride was given away by her mother. Vanessa Redgrave, and Redyanessa kengrave, and ken-grave's former companion, he actor Franco Nero, the lex-york Daily News said. Her la-ther, the director Tony Richard-son, died in 1991. Necson, 42 starred in the Oscar-winning picture "Schindler's List."

Lolit Solis, a talent agent who admitted rigging two awards in the Manila Film Festival last month, should be banned from the business, the vice president of the Philippines — a former actor — said Tuesday. "Once she has been found guilty, she should be banned totally from the industry," Vice President Joseph Estrada said.

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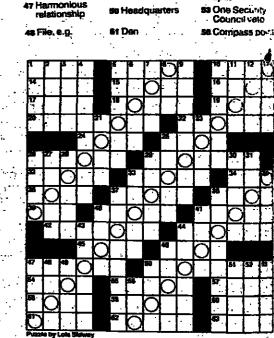
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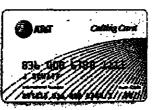
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